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OROGO!!
THE NIGHTMARE FROM
OUTER SPACE!!
PUNY HUMANS!! MEET YOUR MASTER!! I AM OROGO, THE MIGHTY!!

HAT IT ALL HAPPENED, MAN WAS SITTING IN THE STENING TO THE QUICK, SOUNDS OF CHILDREN PLAYING...

AND THE PEOPLE WHO PASSED BY WOULD OCCASIONALLY GLANCE HIS WAY.
LOOK AT THAT OLD MAN! HOW TIRED AND WORN HE SEEMS!
YES...IT'S SAD WHEN ONE GETS THAT OLD AND HAS OUTLIVED HIS USEFULNESS... WHEN HE CAN NO LONGER SERVE SOCIETY!

MEANWHILE, THREE HUNDRED MILES NORTH OF WHERE THE OLD MAN SAT, AN INCREDIBLE, UNBELIEVABLY GIGANTIC SPACE SHIP WAS NEARING EARTH...!
THE NOISE! I CAN'T STAND THE NOISE!
THE SHIP IS SO HUGE, IT'S BLOTTING OUT MOST OF THE SKY!
A BEHEMOTH MUST BE AT THE CONTROLS!
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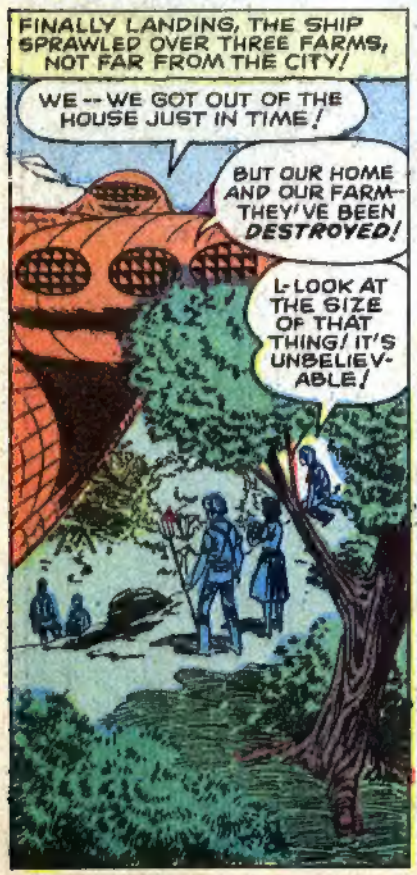
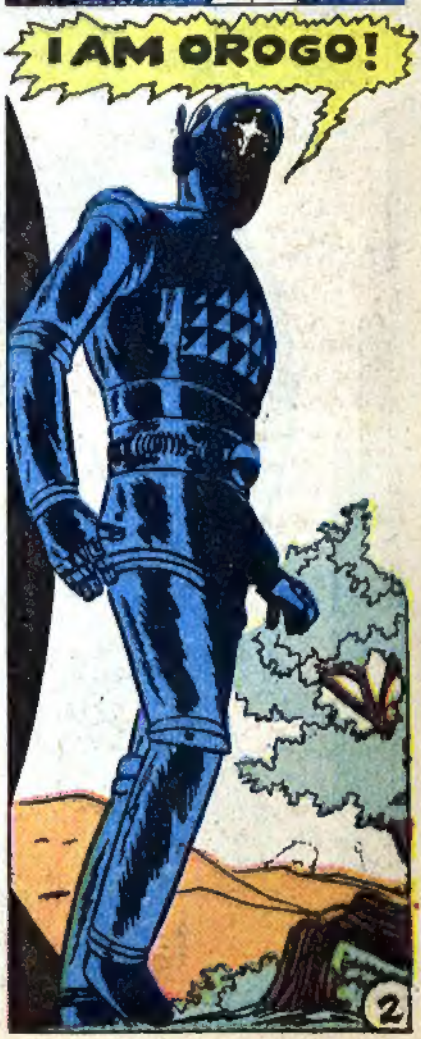

FINALLY LANDING, THE SHIP SPRAWLED OVER THREE FARMS, NOT FAR FROM THE CITY!
WE--WE GOT OUT OF THE HOUSE JUST IN TIME!
BUT OUR HOME AND OUR FARM--THEY'VE BEEN DESTROYED!
L-LOOK AT THE SIZE OF THAT THING! IT'S UNBELIEVABLE!

A FEW MOMENTS PASSED, AND THEN THE DOOR OF THE SHIP SLID BACK--BACK--TO REVEAL...


I AM OROGO!
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THE GIGANTIC FIGURE LUMBERED TO THE NEARBY CITY, AND THERE HE ANNOUNCED TO AN AWE-STRICKEN POPULATION...
I AM OROGO! I COME FROM ANOTHER GALAXY TO RECRUIT NEW LABORERS!! YOU EARTHLINGS ARE NO LONGER FREE! FROM NOW ON, OROGO IS YOUR MASTER!
THIS MUST BE SOME SORT OF FANTASTIC JOKE!
MISTER, NOBODY THAT SIZE LANDS ON EARTH JUST FOR A LAUGH!
AND THEN, THE FIRST GRIM ORDER THUNDERED AT THE CROWD!
LOOK AT ME, EARTHLINGS--LOOK AT MY EYE! WATCH MY EYE... IT WILL MAKE YOU RELAX...KEEP LOOKING AT MY EYE!
THAT EYE-- IT'S DOING SOMETHING TO ME! AND I CAN'T STOP LOOKING AT IT! I'M NOT ABLE TO TURN AWAY FROM IT!
I FEEL STRANGE ...LIKE I'M ABOUT TO PASS OUT, OR SOMETHING! I-- I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME!
KEEP WATCHING MY EYE, EARTHLINGS...YOU ARE NOW RELAXED...SO RELAXED THAT YOU NO LONGER HAVE YOUR OWN WILL! YOU NO LONGER CAN THINK FOR YOURSELVES...FROM THIS MOMENT ON, YOU WILL DO WHATEVER I TELL YOU TO DO! YOU WILL OBEY OROGO!
NOW, EARTHLINGS, YOU WILL GO INTO MY ROCKET SHIP! ALL OF YOU-- START WALKING TO MY ROCKETSHIP --THAT IS MY COMMAND!
AND THUS BEGAN THE FIRST OF THE HYPNOTICALLY-CAUSED REMOVALS...
PUNY EARTHLINGS! YOU ARE HELPLESS BEFORE THE HYPNOTIC POWER OF OROGO! IN ALL THE GALAXY, THERE ARE NONE WHO CAN DEFY OROGO!
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BY THE TIME THE CREATURE HAD MOVED ON TO HIS NEXT CITY FOR CONQUEST, THE HEADS OF OUR MILITARY WERE IN EMERGENCY SESSION...

I'M AFRAID, GENTLEMEN, THAT NOTHING LESS THAN ATOMIC OR HYDROGEN WEAPONS WILL STOP THAT NIGHTMARISH ALIEN!

WE ***CAN'T*** USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS! THEY WOULDN'T MERELY DESTROY OROGO--THEY'D ALSO DESTROY THE ***CITY ITSELF***, AND THE FEW PEOPLE WHO ARE STILL ***HIDING*** THERE!

WE'LL HAVE TO FACE THE GRIM FACT THAT WE'RE UP AGAINST A TERRIBLE MENACE--AND WE'VE ***NO*** SOLUTION FOR DEFEATING IT!!

AS THE NEWS OF OROGO SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE NATION, THE POPULATION WAS OFFERED MAKESHIFT METHODS FOR SAFETY...

...AND OUR DEFENSE DEPARTMENT URGES YOU, AT ALL COSTS, TO HIDE FROM THE ROBOT'S SIGHT! FOR ONCE YOU LOOK AT HIS EYE, YOU'LL BE UNABLE TO TURN AWAY, AND HYPNOSIS WILL BE BROUGHT ON WITHIN SECONDS!

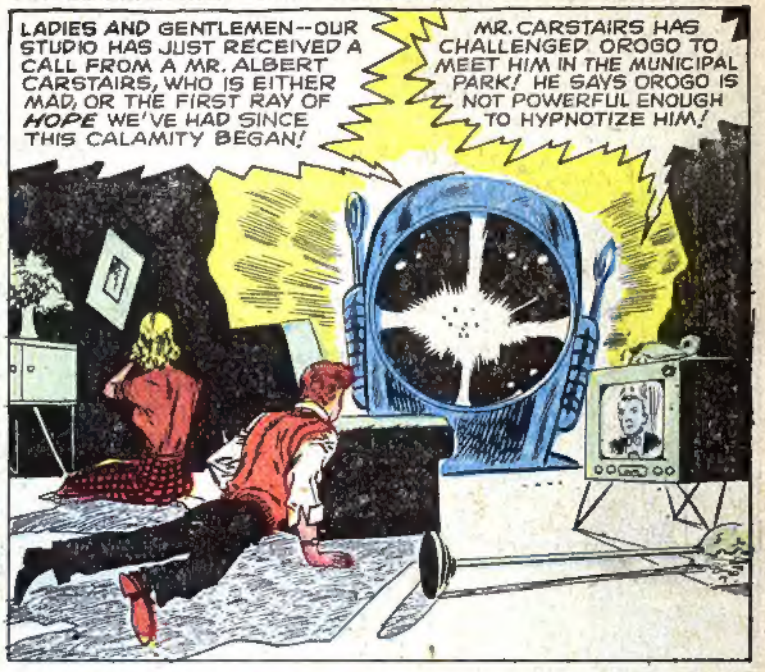
BUT IF THE PEOPLE THOUGHT THAT BRICK AND STONE AND WOOD COULD STOP THE METALLIC GOLIATH, THEY WERE MISTAKEN! THERE WAS ***NO*** SUBSTANCE ON EARTH STRONG ENOUGH TO WITHSTAND THE MIGHT OF OROGO!

IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE THE MIGHTY MENACE REACHED THE CITY WHERE THE OLD MAN LIVED... A CITY WHOSE PEOPLE WERE ALL IN HIDING! ALL, THAT IS, ***EXCEPT*** THE OLD MAN....!

HA! HA! LITTLE EARTHLINGS--YOU THINK YOU CAN ESCAPE ME BY HIDING?? GAZE AT OROGO! SEE ME DESTROY YOUR PUNY BARRIERS--AND NOW BEHOLD THE EYE OF OROGO--***OROGO THE MIGHTY!***

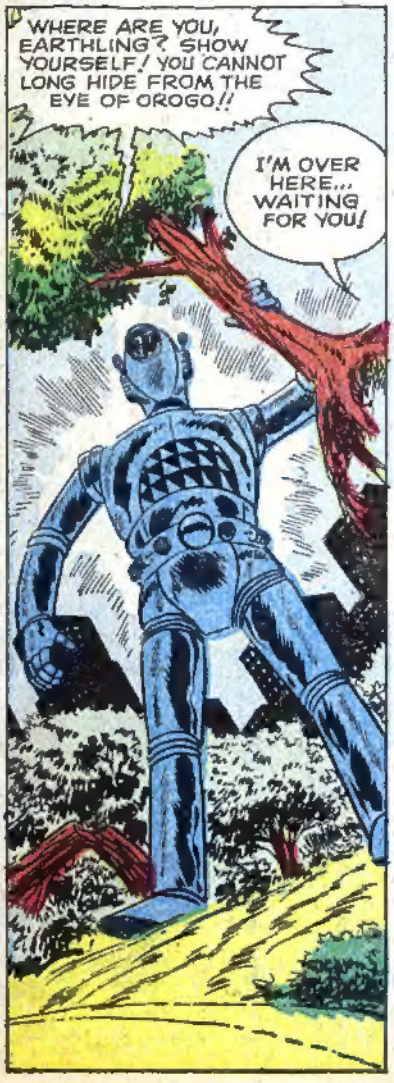
WHILE OROGO CONTINUED TO LAY BARE THE BUILDINGS OF THE CITY, THE OLD MAN ROSE FROM HIS BENCH AND CALMLY WENT INTO A PUBLIC TELEPHONE BOOTH...

A FEW MOMENTS LATER, AN INCREDULOUS NEWSCASTER MADE AN ANNOUNCEMENT OVER THE COMBINED T.V. NETWORKS...!


LADIES AND GENTLEMEN--OUR STUDIO HAS JUST RECEIVED A CALL FROM A MR. ALBERT CARSTAIRS, WHO IS EITHER MAD, OR THE FIRST RAY OF HOPE WE'VE HAD SINCE THIS CALAMITY BEGAN!
MR. CARSTAIRS HAS CHALLENGED OROGO TO MEET HIM IN THE MUNICIPAL PARK! HE SAYS OROGO IS NOT POWERFUL ENOUGH TO HYPNOTIZE HIM!

WHAT'S THIS--SOME FOOL EARTHLING THINKS HE CAN RESIST THE HYPNOTIC EYE OF OROGO?!! I'LL SHOW THIS PUNY MORTAL WHAT CHANCE HE HAS OF DEFYING ME!

INCENSED BY THE CHALLENGE, OROGO THUNDERED INTO THE PARK...



SO, AGED ONE... YOU DARE TO CHALLENGE THE MIGHTY OROGO?! I COULD CRUSH YOU AS I WOULD AN ANT, BUT YOU ARE UNWORTHY OF OROGO'S WRATH! LET THE WORLD SEE THAT NO EARTHLING CAN RESIST OROGO!! I COMMAND YOU TO CRAWL ALL THE WAY TO MY ROCKET SHIP! OROGO HAS SPOKEN!

AND THEN IT BEGAN... THE FANTASTIC CONTEST BETWEEN ONE WORN, TIRED OLD HUMAN AND A METALLIC COLOSSUS!

LOOK AT MY EYE! KEEP WATCHING MY EYE! IT WILL MAKE YOU RELAX... IT WILL REMOVE ALL *WILL* FROM YOU... BEHOLD THE EYE OF OROGO!

CRAWL, EARTHLING!! I *COMMAND* YOU! YOU CANNOT DEFY ME! -- YOUR ONLY WILL IS THE WILL OF OROGO!

I AM IN COMPLETE CONTROL OF MY FACULTIES! YOU HAVEN'T EVEN *STARTED* TO HYPNOTIZE ME!

FOOL! FOR *THAT*, YOUR MIND WILL BE SUBJECTED TO A WITHERING BLAST! I WILL *INCREASE* THE POWER OF MY EYE!!

THERE -- I'VE *DOUBLED* THE HYPNOTIC FORCE! NOW LOOK AT MY EYE, EARTHLING! KEEP WATCHING MY EYE... YOU ARE RELAXING... YOUR WILL IS LEAVING YOU... OROGO IS SUPREME!

SORRY, MISTER! YOU'VE *FAILED!*

AGAIN THE ENRAGED ALIEN INCREASED THE ELECTRO-MAGNETIC WAVES, BUT *STILL* THE OLD MAN WASN'T AFFECTED! IN FRUSTRATION, OROGO CONTINUED TO INCREASE THE OUTPUT UNTIL FINALLY HE WENT BEYOND EVEN *HIS* CAPABILITIES ...AND FINALLY...

YOU *CAN'T* DEFEAT ME! I WAS BUILT TO BE *SUPREME!* I AM THE ROBOT OROGO! *ALL-POWERFUL!* ALL-- *ARGHH!!*

WITH A CRASH THAT MADE THE VERY EARTH TREMBLE, THE ROBOT OROGO FELL! AND OVER THE LAND, HIS HYPNOTIC SPELL WAS SHATTERED! EARTH WAS SAVED!!

BUT *HOW*, MR. CARSTAIRS -- *HOW* COULD *YOU* POSSIBLY WITHSTAND THE ROBOT'S TREMENDOUS HYPNOTIC POWER WHEN YOU LOOKED AT HIS EYE??

IT WAS THE ONE THING OROGO HADN'T COUNTED ON! EVEN THOUGH I TURNED TOWARD HIS EYE, I SAW *NOTHING!* YOU SEE, GENTLEMEN, I AM TOTALLY *BLIND!*

THE NEXT DAY, THE SUN WAS AGAIN SHINING AS THE OLD MAN SAT IN THE PARK LISTENING TO THE HAPPY SOUNDS OF CHILDREN PLAYING... AND OCCASIONALLY A PASSERBY WOULD NOTICE HIM AND COMMENT...

LOOK, DEAR, HOW *TIRED* THAT MAN SEEMS!

YES! POOR OLD GENT! I ALWAYS SAY THE WORST THING IN THE WORLD IS WHEN A PERSON GETS VERY OLD... WHEN HE'S *NO LONGER* ABLE TO BE OF ANY *SERVICE* TO SOCIETY!

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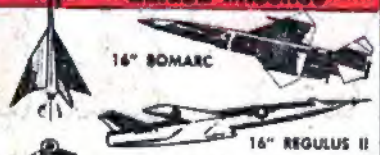

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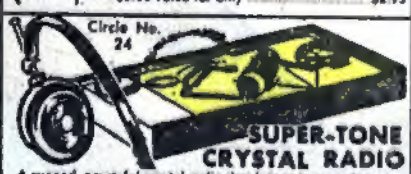

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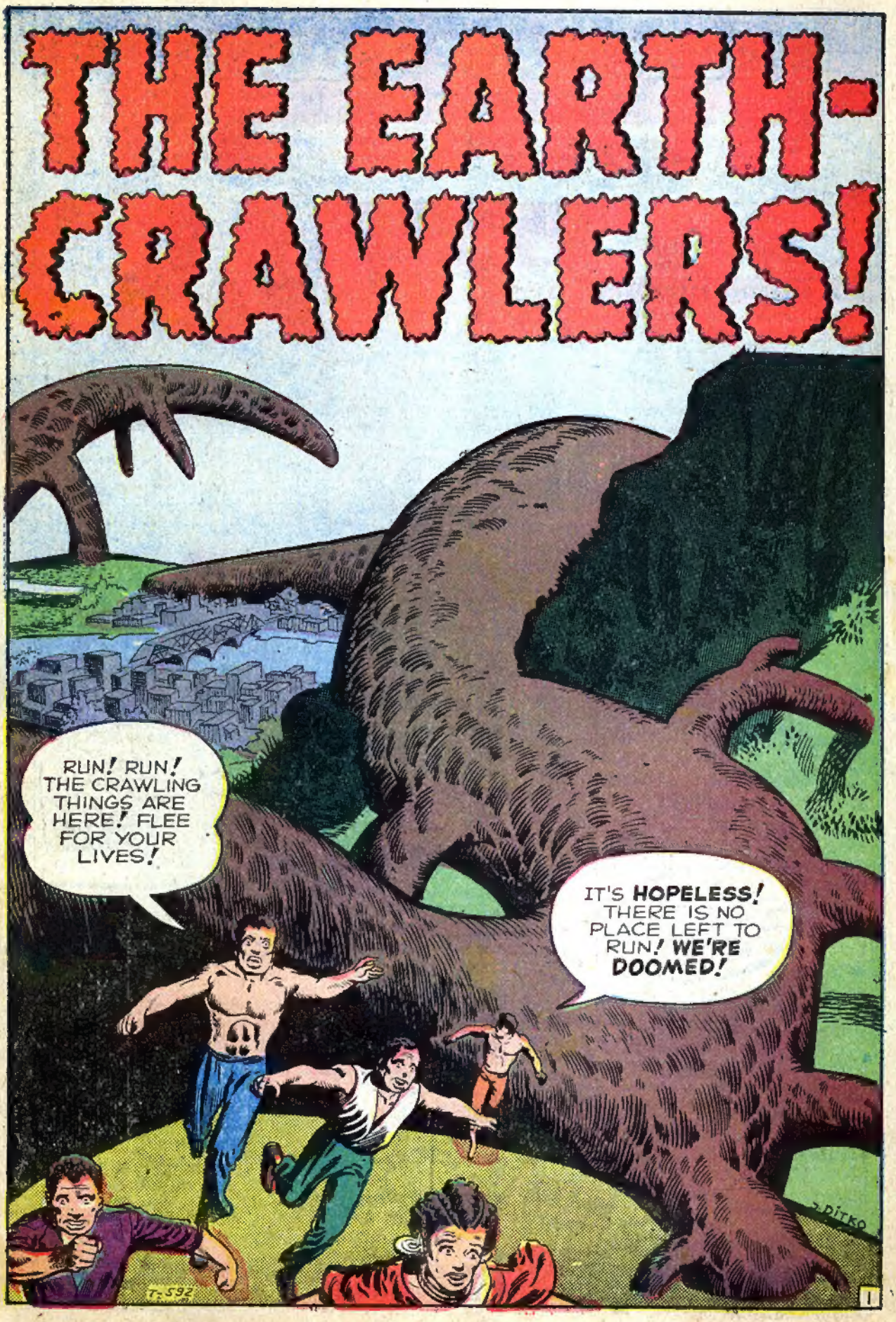

EVERY DAY, FOR OVER A DOZEN YEARS, THE SAME BICKERING HAD GONE ON BETWEEN INVENTOR HENRY SALT AND HIS EVER-NAGGING WIFE!
WHY, HENRY? WHY CAN'T YOU BE LIKE OTHER INVENTORS AND INVENT SOMETHING THAT WILL MAKE YOU RICH?
BUT LOVEY-BUG, THIS RAIN CONTROL DEVICE MIGHT DO THAT!
BAH! THE GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE IT OVER AND YOU'LL GET PEANUTS! INVENT SOMETHING THAT EVERYONE WANTS TO BUY, WHY DON'TCHA?
I'M NOT INTERESTED IN GADGETS THAT MAKE FORTUNES --I ONLY INVENT THINGS TO HELP PEOPLE!
WHAT ABOUT HELPING YOUR WIFE? I'D LIKE NEW CLOTHES, A CAR, A MAID...
POOR MARTHA! SHE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND! A MAN MUST DO WHAT HE THINKS IS BEST-- EVEN IF THERE IS NO REWARD!
MEANWHILE, MILES AWAY, IN AFRICA, A DARING ESCAPE IS BEING MADE FROM A MILITARY COMPOUND HOLDING NATIVE TERRORISTS! AN ESCAPE WHICH WILL AFFECT HENRY SALT, THOUSANDS OF MILES AWAY!
I'M FREE AT LAST!
IT'S THAT FANATICAL WITCH DOCTOR!! STOP HIM!!
RAT-A-
TA-
BUT THE WITCH DOCTOR MAKES GOOD HIS ESCAPE, AND A FEW DAYS LATER, IN A JUNGLE CAVE...
THE FOOLS! THEY NEVER DID FIND MY SECRET POTION! NOW I CAN CONTINUE TO WORK ON IT... UNTIL ALL AFRICA IS AT MY FEET!
THERE! IT IS FINISHED!! NOW THE ENTIRE WORLD WILL CRINGE IN FEAR BEFORE THE MIGHTY MAGIC OF TUTAKU, THE WITCH DOCTOR!
NOW WILL I WIPE OUT THE LAST VESTIGE OF CIVILIZATION FROM THIS LAND!! THE HOUR OF TUTAKU HAS COME!
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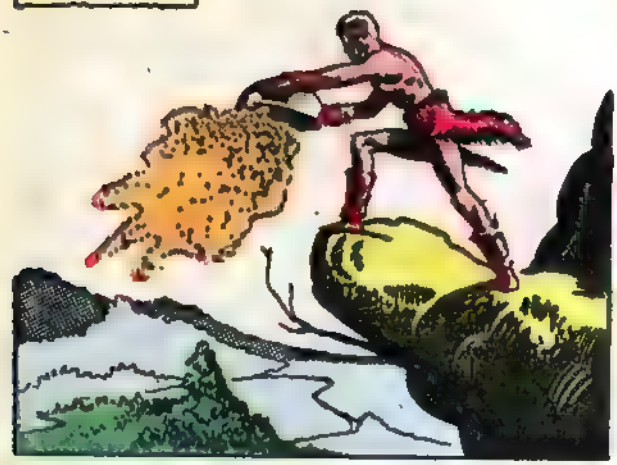
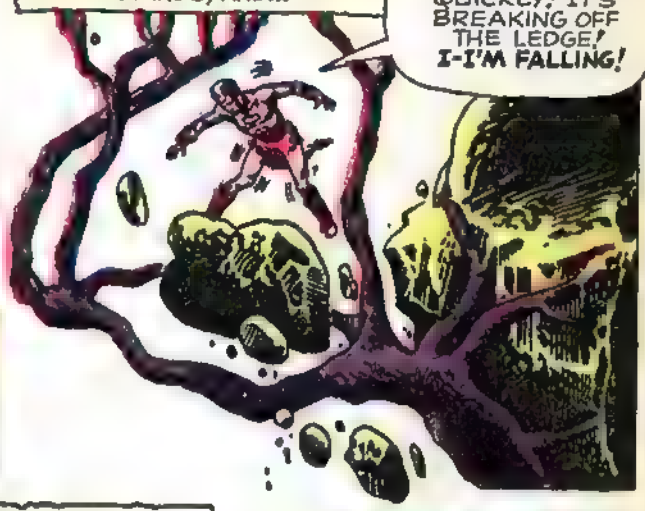
A SHORT TIME LATER... ON A MOUNTAIN LEDGE OVERLOOKING THE JUNGLE!

THE WIND WILL SCATTER THE POTION THRUOUT THE JUNGLE... AND THEN **NONE** CAN STOP ME!



BUT JUST **ONE DROP** OF THE STRANGE POTION TRICKLES ONTO A SMALL ROOT ON THE LEDGE UPON WHICH TUTAKU STANDS, AND...

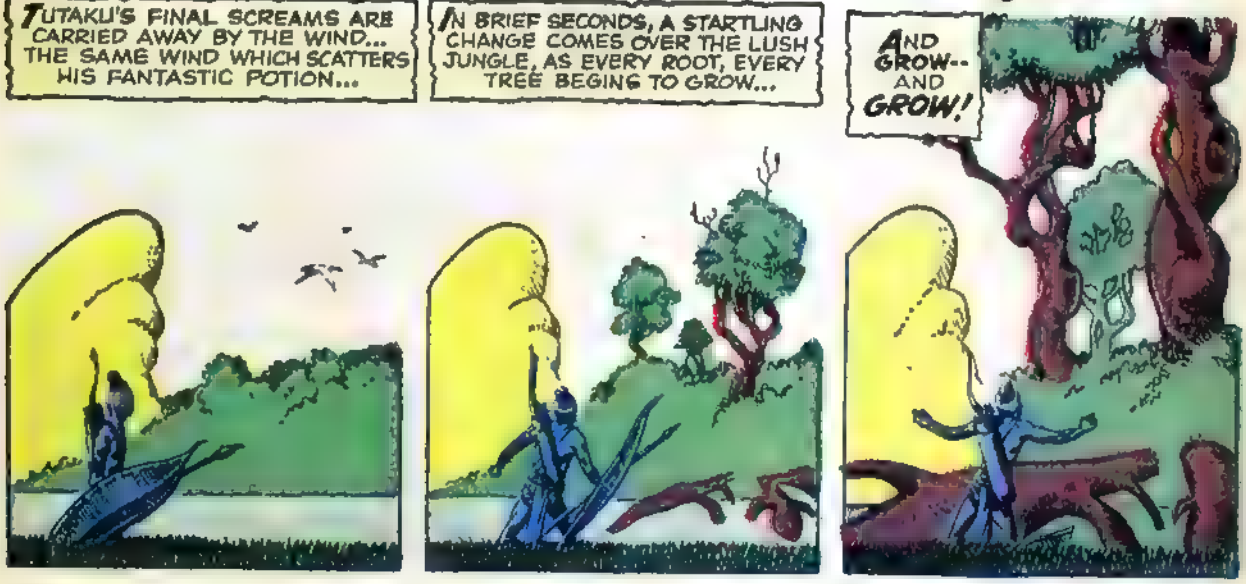
NO!! **NO!** THE ROOT HAS STARTED TO **GROW**... TOO QUICKLY! IT'S BREAKING OFF THE LEDGE! **I-I'M FALLING!**



TUTAKU'S FINAL SCREAMS ARE CARRIED AWAY BY THE WIND... THE SAME WIND WHICH SCATTERS HIS FANTASTIC POTION...

IN BRIEF SECONDS, A STARTLING CHANGE COMES OVER THE LUSH JUNGLE, AS EVERY ROOT, EVERY TREE BEGINS TO GROW...

AND **GROW**-- AND **GROW!**

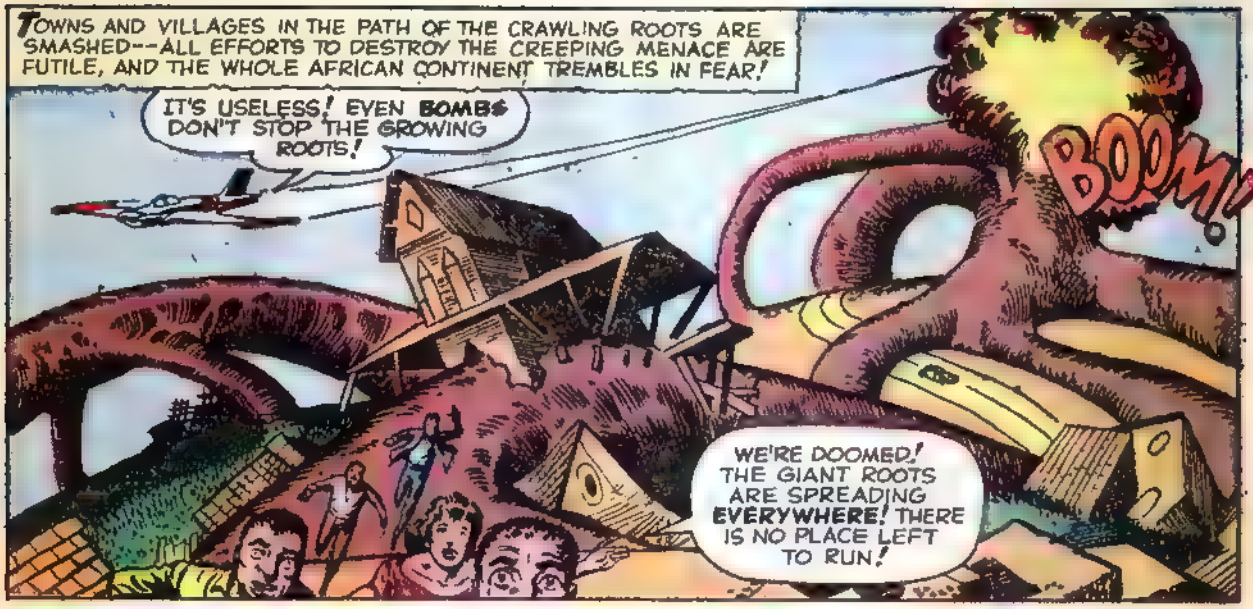


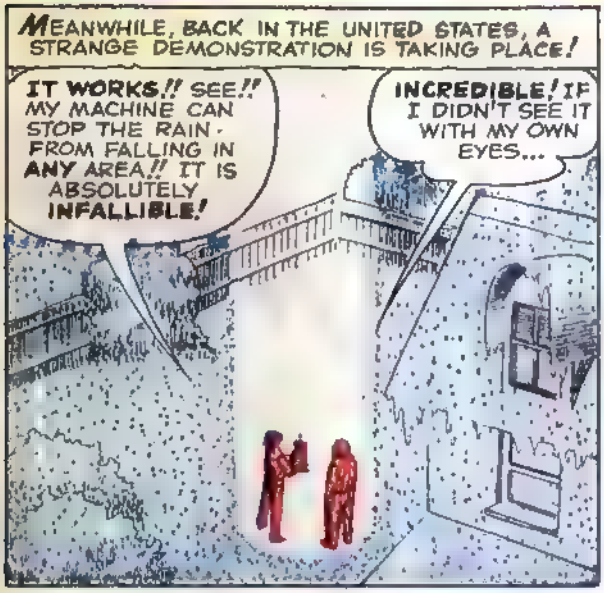
LIKE NIGHTMARE APPARITIONS, THE HUGE ROOTS EXPAND AND SWELL SO RAPIDLY THAT THEIR GROWTH CAN BE **SEEN** BY THE NAKED EYE... SO HUGE THAT THEY THREATEN TO DESTROY THE JUNGLE ITSELF!

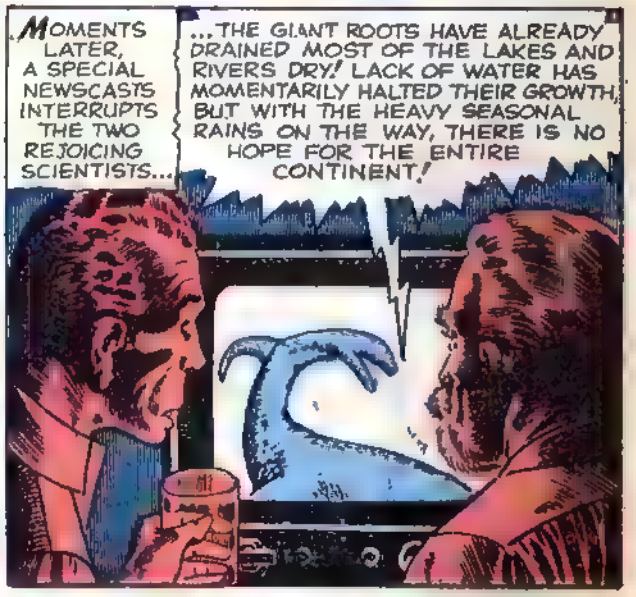
SEE! THE STREAM GROWS DRY! ALL THE WATER IS BEING ABSORBED BY THESE MONSTER ROOTS!

NOT EVEN THE MOUNTAIN RANGES CAN STOP THE ADVANCING ROOTS! THEY WORM THROUGH SOLID ROCK, SPLITTING IT WITH THEIR FANTASTIC GROWTH!

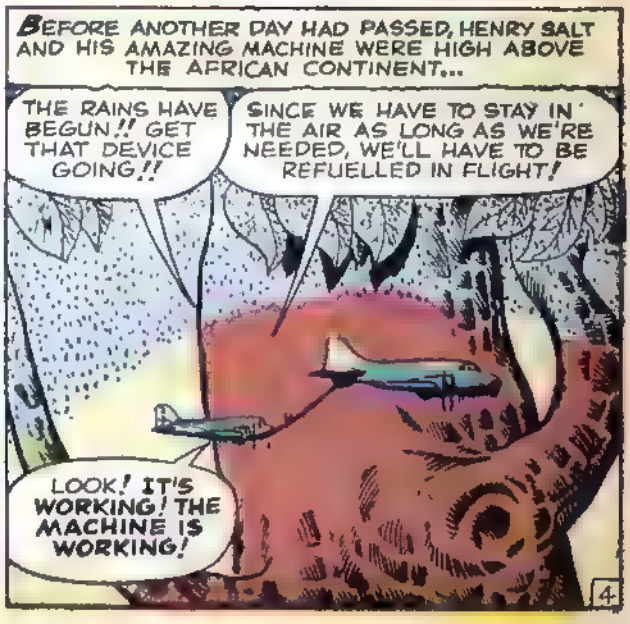
FLEE!! NATURE HERSELF IS RISING AGAINST US!

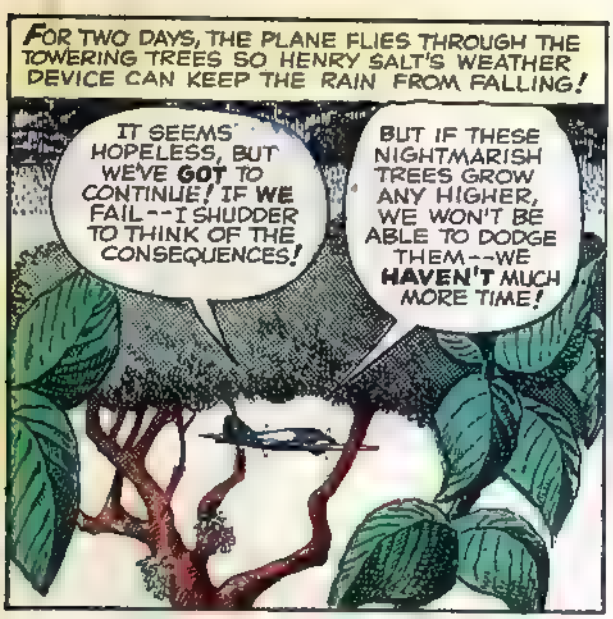

TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN THE PATH OF THE CRAWLING ROOTS ARE SMASHED--ALL EFFORTS TO DESTROY THE CREEPING MENACE ARE FUTILE, AND THE WHOLE AFRICAN CONTINENT TREMBLES IN FEAR!
IT'S USELESS! EVEN BOMBS DON'T STOP THE GROWING ROOTS!
BOOM!
WE'RE DOOMED! THE GIANT ROOTS ARE SPREADING EVERYWHERE! THERE IS NO PLACE LEFT TO RUN!

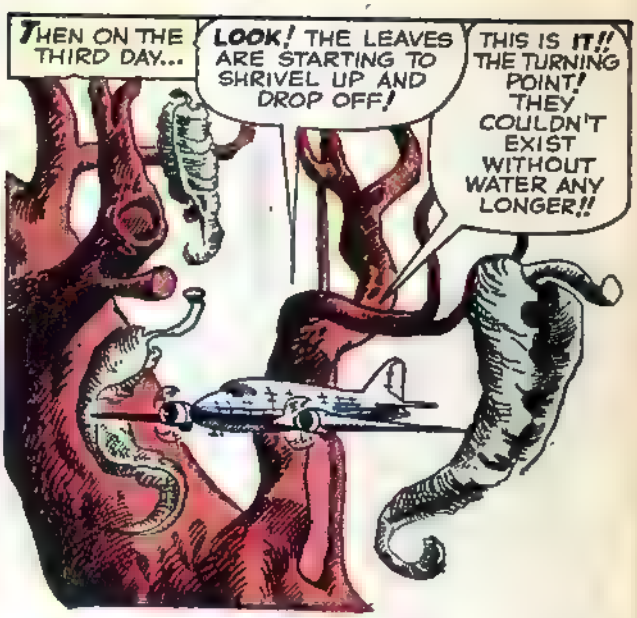

MEANWHILE, BACK IN THE UNITED STATES, A STRANGE DEMONSTRATION IS TAKING PLACE!
IT WORKS!! SEE!! MY MACHINE CAN STOP THE RAIN FROM FALLING IN ANY AREA!! IT IS ABSOLUTELY INFALLIBLE!
INCREDIBLE! IF I DIDN'T SEE IT WITH MY OWN EYES...


MOMENTS LATER, A SPECIAL NEWSCASTS INTERRUPTS THE TWO REJOICING SCIENTISTS...
...THE GIANT ROOTS HAVE ALREADY DRAINED MOST OF THE LAKES AND RIVERS DRY! LACK OF WATER HAS MOMENTARILY HALTED THEIR GROWTH, BUT WITH THE HEAVY SEASONAL RAINS ON THE WAY, THERE IS NO HOPE FOR THE ENTIRE CONTINENT!

THOSE FANTASTIC ROOTS! THEY WOULD DIE WITHOUT WATER!! PERHAPS MY MACHINE--!!
OPERATOR, THIS IS AN EMERGENCY! I WANT WASHINGTON, D.C., THE STATE DEPARTMENT! HURRY!

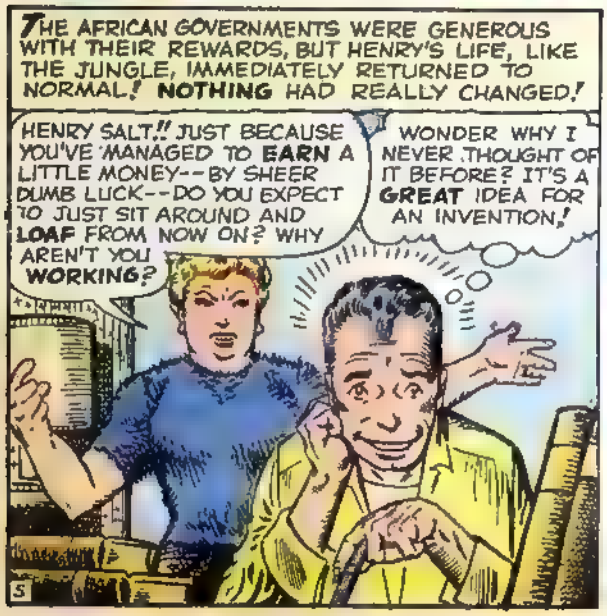

BEFORE ANOTHER DAY HAD PASSED, HENRY SALT AND HIS AMAZING MACHINE WERE HIGH ABOVE THE AFRICAN CONTINENT...
THE RAINS HAVE BEGUN!! GET THAT DEVICE GOING!!
SINCE WE HAVE TO STAY IN THE AIR AS LONG AS WE'RE NEEDED, WE'LL HAVE TO BE REFUELLED IN FLIGHT!
LOOK! IT'S WORKING! THE MACHINE IS WORKING!


FOR TWO DAYS, THE PLANE FLIES THROUGH THE TOWERING TREES SO HENRY SALT'S WEATHER DEVICE CAN KEEP THE RAIN FROM FALLING!
IT SEEMS HOPELESS, BUT WE'VE GOT TO CONTINUE! IF WE FAIL--I SHUDDER TO THINK OF THE CONSEQUENCES!
BUT IF THESE NIGHTMARISH TREES GROW ANY HIGHER, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO DODGE THEM--WE HAVEN'T MUCH MORE TIME!


THEN ON THE THIRD DAY...
LOOK! THE LEAVES ARE STARTING TO SHRIVEL UP AND DROP OFF!
THIS IS IT!! THE TURNING POINT! THEY COULDN'T EXIST WITHOUT WATER ANY LONGER!!

LOOK! THE LEAVES ARE ALL GONE!
THE BRANCHES ARE BEGINNING TO DRY UP AND CRACK OFF!
WE'VE WON! WE'VE WON!
AND TO THINK MY WIFE CALLED MY INVENTION USELESS! SAID I'D NEVER AMOUNT TO ANYTHING! THINGS WILL BE DIFFERENT NOW!

IT'S ALL OVER NOW! THERE GO THE TREES! YOU DID IT, HENRY! YOU SAVED AFRICA... MAYBE EVEN THE WHOLE WORLD, IF THAT HORRIBLE THING HAD SPREAD!
I DON'T IMAGINE WE'LL EVER KNOW WHAT CAUSED IT... BUT WITH YOUR MACHINE, WE'LL NEVER NEED FEAR THE MONSTROUS ROOTS AGAIN!


THE AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS WERE GENEROUS WITH THEIR REWARDS, BUT HENRY'S LIFE, LIKE THE JUNGLE, IMMEDIATELY RETURNED TO NORMAL! NOTHING HAD REALLY CHANGED!
HENRY SALT!! JUST BECAUSE YOU'VE MANAGED TO EARN A LITTLE MONEY--BY SHEER DUMB LUCK--DO YOU EXPECT TO JUST SIT AROUND AND LOAF FROM NOW ON? WHY AREN'T YOU WORKING?
WONDER WHY I NEVER THOUGHT OF IT BEFORE? IT'S A GREAT IDEA FOR AN INVENTION!
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AFTER ALL, NOW THAT WE'RE WEALTHY WE HAVE A POSITION TO UPHOLD! I NEED A BIGGER ALLOWANCE, AND ANOTHER MAID, AND A SECOND CAR...
IF I COULD CONVERT MY WIFE'S VOICE INTO ENERGY, SHE COULD TALK MY INVENTIONS INTO BEING! HMMM... AN INTERESTING THOUGHT!
COME HERE, MY LOVE! I WANT TO TEST SOMETHING!!
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IT was unbelievable to hear Eli Twiddle tell his customers at the Travel bureau about the wonders of vacationlands the world over . . . unbelievable to hear him and not think that Eli Twiddle was an experienced traveler! He made the marvels of foreign travel come to life as he described with enthusiasm the rich tapestries one might find in India, the majestic mountains of Switzerland, or the mystery of the western desert in our own U.S.A.

Eli smiled wistfully when the excited customers walked away after telling him to book their trip. Lucky people, Eli thought restlessly. If only *he* were able to get away from the office instead of just reading about far-off places. Oh, someday he would choose a special trip just for himself!

He was quite good about advising other people on this problem, but that didn't help him to figure out what he would like to see best. There were so many places to go, so many things to do. Dear me, Eli moaned, it was just as well that he couldn't afford a vacation right now, because he would never be able to make up his mind about what to do.

Each night, Eli Twiddle went home to his little room and read a book and looked at pictures of another place. Then, he would fall asleep and dream that he was in Paris or London or Alaska. When the next morning came, he would check this place off his list and resolve that when his vacation time came, he would eliminate the place he had dreamed about.

The reason for this was very simple. Twiddle dreamed so realistically that he actually had the feeling of having been to the places! No point, he decided, in re-visiting territory that was already familiar to him. For a little while, this plan pleased him. It was, indeed, an inexpensive way to make a world tour.

The months passed, and the more Eli read and dreamed, the more gifted he seemed to become in describing places for his customers to visit. But a very sad thing happened. Instead of taking a real interest in his work, Eli was becoming bored. He was no longer fascinated with his job. Even his urge to get away and see something different seemed to have vanished.

"You've exhausted every corner of the world worth dreaming about," Eli scolded himself. "Soon, you will be able to go on your own vacation and you haven't the slightest inclination to take off! There's only one solution. You must stop dreaming of these places in such detail!"

Eli Twiddle tried this as a remedy, but it didn't work. As soon as his head touched the pillow he would find himself riding a rickshaw down the crooked streets of Hong Kong or jogging along on top of a camel in Egypt.

The night after he dreamed about being in Egypt, he woke up to find himself wearing a fez with a long tassle! When he looked in the mirror and found this hat, native to Egypt, sitting on his head, he could hardly believe his eyes.

"Dear me," he wailed, in his high, piping voice, "I've begun to imagine things! I can't be wearing a fez for real! How can anyone bring back souvenirs from a *dream* trip?"

He ressured himself that this was all very silly . . . that it was purely his imagination. He couldn't be wearing the pot-like hat and tassle for the simple reason that he'd never owned one . . . except in his dream.

He skipped off to work, said a cheery Good Morning to Mr. Hardy, his boss at the travel bureau, and busied himself with his first customer of the day. When the man asked him about booking a trip to Egypt, Eli obliged him by telling him the details of climate, scenery, and people there. He spoke knowingly of the pyramids. By the time lunchtime came, at least a dozen customers had asked for reservation to Egypt. Eli whistled cheerfully and thought it was a coincidence, until Mr. Hardy took him aside.

"That hat you're wearing seems to have put everyone in the mood to see Egypt," Mr. Hardy commented suspiciously. "Now, look here, Twiddle, I

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THE METAL MONSTER
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO TELL THIS STORY, FOR HOW CAN ANYONE TELL A STORY LIKE THIS?!! A STORY SO INCREDIBLE THAT EVEN NOW I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT REALLY HAPPENED?!! EVEN NOW I THINK THAT MAYBE IT WAS ALL A HORRIBLE DREAM! AND YET, IT COULDN'T BE A DREAM--THERE WERE TOO MANY FACTS TO CONFIRM IT! AS FANTASTIC AND UNCANNY AS IT SOUNDS, IT MUST HAVE REALLY HAPPENED!
NO--NO! KEEP AWAY FROM ME! DON'T COME ANY CLOSER! STOP!! GET BACK!! BACK!!
THE AMERICAN IS DOOMED! THE ACCURSED MACHINE WON'T STOP UNTIL IT HAS CAUGHT AND DESTROYED HIM!
WE WARNED HIM BUT HE WOULDN'T LISTEN TO US! AND NOW IT'S TOO LATE! NO ONE CAN PREVENT THE RAGING SHOVEL FROM GETTING HIM NOW!
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IT'S IRONIC WHEN I THINK ONE OF THE REASONS I ACCEPTED THAT JOB WAS THAT I THOUGHT I'D BE ABLE TO COMBINE BUSINESS WITH PLEASURE!
WHEN I FINISH THIS JOB, I'LL TAKE SOME TIME OFF AND DO A LITTLE SIGHT-SEEING! I'VE NEVER BEEN TO EUROPE BEFORE, AND IT MUST BE LOADED WITH PLACES I'D ENJOY VISITING!
I REACHED EUROPE ON A CLEAR SUNNY DAY-- A DAY WHICH GAVE NO WARNING OF THE GRIM PERIL WHICH LAY AHEAD!
GO EASY WITH THAT STEAM SHOVEL! IT WAS ESPECIALLY BUILT AND CAN'T BE REPLACED!
TWENTY-FOUR HOURS LATER I WAS AT MY DESTINATION!
WELCOME TO OUR VILLAGE, MISTER MASON! I SEE YOU'VE BROUGHT THE NEW TYPE STEAM SHOVEL!
YES, THIS BABY CAN CHEW UP ANYTHING IN SIGHT!
WE'VE ALREADY RECRUITED THE VOLUNTEER CONSTRUCTION CREW!
BUT THEN, AS I WENT OVER THE PLANS WITH THE VILLAGE ELDERS...
I SEE THE ROAD WE'RE GOING TO BUILD BETWEEN HERE AND THE NEXT TOWN WILL GO THRU A **FOREST!**
NO, MISTER MASON... EVEN THOUGH IT WILL TAKE US OUT OF OUR WAY, WE'LL HAVE TO DETOUR THE ROAD **AROUND** THE FOREST!
THE SZEGED FOREST IS INHABITED BY A BAND OF GYPSIES AND THEY WON'T ALLOW US TO COME THRU THERE!
DO THESE GYPSIES HAVE A **LEGAL CLAIM** TO THE FOREST?
NO, BUT THEY LIVE THERE AND--
THEN WE'LL BUILD OUR ROAD **THRU** THE FOREST! I WANT TO FINISH THIS JOB AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO I CAN TAKE A COUPLE OF WEEKS VACATION! NO BAND OF GYPSIES IS GONNA SLOW ME UP!
AND SO, WE BEGAN TO CONSTRUCT OUR ROAD! BUT WHEN WE REACHED THE EDGE OF THE SZEGED FOREST...
WHY DO YOU GO THRU OUR LAND?
WHY? BECAUSE A STRAIGHT LINE IS THE SHORTEST DISTANCE BETWEEN TWO PLACES!
THAT IS TRUE! BUT I THINK YOU WILL FIND THAT THE SHORTEST DISTANCE IS NOT ALWAYS THE **QUICKEST** OR THE **SAFEST** DISTANCE!
IF THAT'S SOME KINDA THREAT, MAC-- YOU'RE WASTING YOUR TIME! I DON'T SCARE EASY! NOW GET OUT OF MY WAY! WE'VE GOT **WORK** TO DO!
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AND SO WE STARTED TO BUILD OUR ROAD THRU THE DARK, LUSH, GYPSY-INHABITED SZEGED FOREST!
LOOK AT THAT STEAM SHOVEL, HANS! SUCH POWER! SUCH STRENGTH!
SUCH AN AWESOME MACHINE! BUILT TO CRUSH, SHATTER, DESTROY!!
THEN, BEFORE WE HAD GONE A QUARTER OF THE WAY THRU THE WOODS...
THE ANSWER IS NO! NOW GO, AND LEAVE US BE!
WE DON'T WANT YOU SNOOPING AROUND HERE!
WHAT'S GOING ON OVER THERE? WHAT'S THE TROUBLE?
I AM GROSKO! MY FATHER IS THE ELDER OF OUR GYPSY BAND!
HE DESIRES TO BECOME ONE OF OUR CREW!
FINE! WE'LL TAKE HIM ON! WE CAN USE ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET!
BUT, MISTER MASON, YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND-- IT WOULD BE DANGEROUS TO HIRE A GYPSY!
THE GYPSIES DON'T WANT US TO BUILD OUR ROAD HERE! IF WE LET ONE THEM STAY AROUND US, HE MIGHT SABOTAGE OUR CONSTRUCTION!
GYPSIES HAVE ALL KINDS OF MAGICAL POWERS! THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT HARM THIS MAN CAN BRING US!
HUH!! YOU GUYS SOUND LIKE A BUNCH OF SUPERSTITIOUS OLD WOMEN! THIS IS THE TWENTIETH CENTURY--AND THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS MAGICAL POWER! WE CAN USE ANOTHER MAN, AND A GYPSY CAN WORK AS WELL AS ANY ONE! HIRE HIM!
WE TOOK THE GYPSY ON AND FOR THE REST OF THAT DAY HE WORKED ALRIGHT! BUT DURING THE NIGHT, ONE OF THE MEN AWAKENED, AND THE SIGHT HE SAW SENT CHILLS RACING UP HIS SPINE...
JUST AS I FEARED!! HE--HE'S TRYING TO WEAVE SOME SORT OF MAGIC SPELL!
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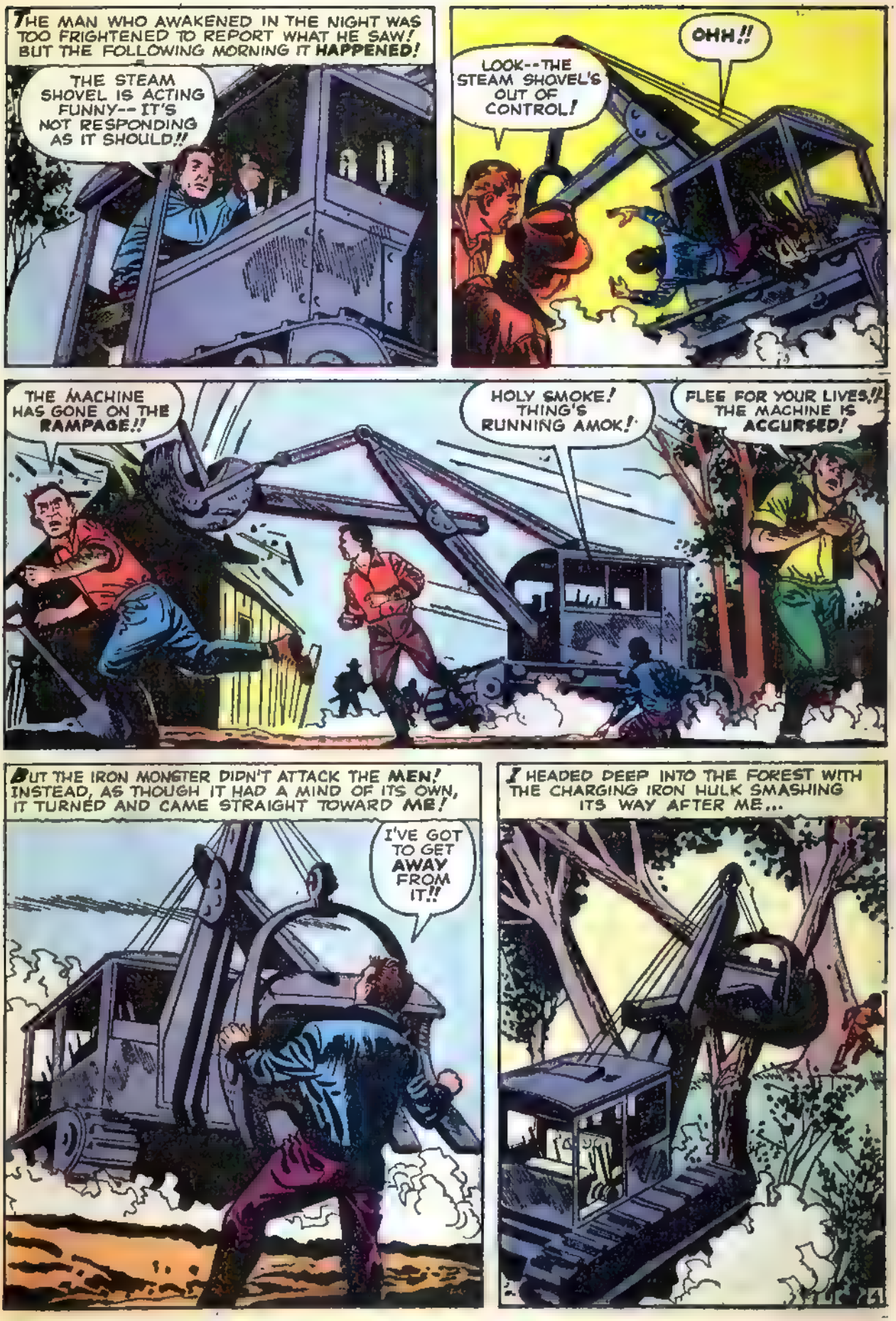
THE MAN WHO AWAKENED IN THE NIGHT WAS TOO FRIGHTENED TO REPORT WHAT HE SAW! BUT THE FOLLOWING MORNING IT HAPPENED!
THE STEAM SHOVEL IS ACTING FUNNY-- IT'S NOT RESPONDING AS IT SHOULD!!
OHH!!
LOOK--THE STEAM SHOVEL'S OUT OF CONTROL!
THE MACHINE HAS GONE ON THE RAMPAGE!!
HOLY SMOKE! THING'S RUNNING AMOK!
FLEE FOR YOUR LIVES!! THE MACHINE IS ACCURSED!
BUT THE IRON MONSTER DIDN'T ATTACK THE MEN! INSTEAD, AS THOUGH IT HAD A MIND OF ITS OWN, IT TURNED AND CAME STRAIGHT TOWARD ME!
I'VE GOT TO GET AWAY FROM IT!!
I HEADED DEEP INTO THE FOREST WITH THE CHARGING IRON HULK SMASHING ITS WAY AFTER ME...

THERE'S A STREAM! IF I SWIM TO THE OTHER SIDE, MAYBE I'LL BE SAFE! THE SHOVEL MAY NOT BE ABLE TO GET ACROSS!
I DOVE INTO THE WATER AND STARTED TO CROSS THE STREAM... BUT IT WAS NO USE, NOTHING COULD STOP THE PURSUING DREADNAUGHT!
IT'S COMING AFTER ME!! IT WON'T STOP! NOTHING CAN STAND IN ITS WAY!
I CAN'T GO ON LIKE THIS MUCH LONGER! I'M GONNA DOUBLE BACK TO THE ROAD! MAYBE WHATEVER NATURAL OR SUPERNATURAL FORCE IS DRIVING THAT MACHINE, WON'T LET IT CHANGE COURSE!
AND SO, I HEADED BACK TOWARD THE ROAD... NOT KNOWING WHETHER I'D MAKE IT THERE OR DROP FROM EXHAUSTION ALONG THE WAY...
NO USE-- MACHINE CHASING ME-- WHICHEVER DIRECTION I RUN! AND THE ROARING GOLIATH HAS ONE ADVANTAGE OVER ME--IT DOESN'T EVER TIRE!!
WHEN I REACHED THE ROAD, I USED WHAT LITTLE REMAINING STRENGTH I HAD IN ONE LAST EFFORT TO ESCAPE THE BERSERK STEAM SHOVEL!
IF THIS DOESN'T WORK, I'M LOST!
IT CAN'T REACH ME! I'VE DONE IT!! I'M SAFE!!
BUT THEN...
IT'S CRASHING AGAINST THE TREE! IT'S TRYING TO SHAKE ME DOWN FROM HERE!
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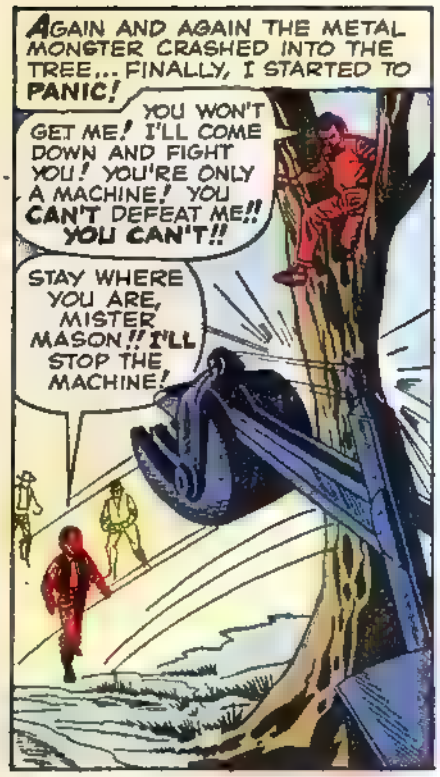
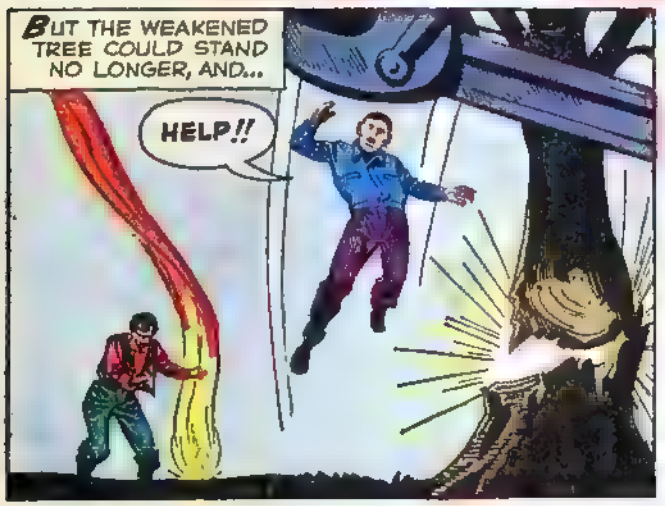
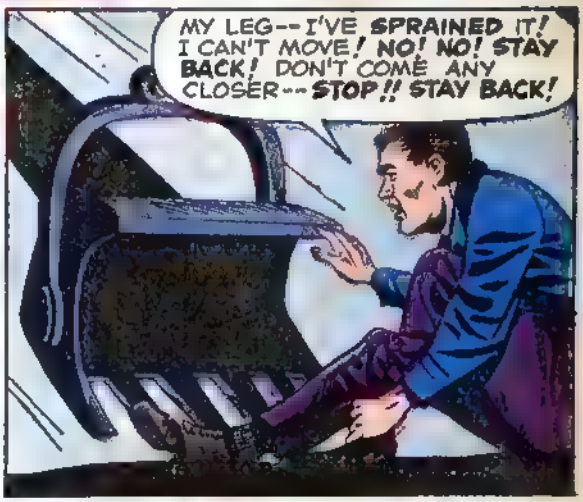
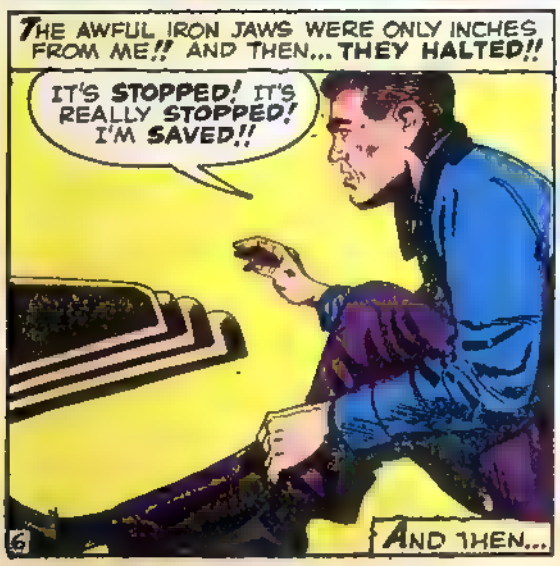

AGAIN AND AGAIN THE METAL MONSTER CRASHED INTO THE TREE... FINALLY, I STARTED TO PANIC!
YOU WON'T GET ME! I'LL COME DOWN AND FIGHT YOU! YOU'RE ONLY A MACHINE! YOU CAN'T DEFEAT ME!! YOU CAN'T!!
STAY WHERE YOU ARE, MISTER MASON!! I'LL STOP THE MACHINE!

...IF YOU'LL AGREE TO DETOUR YOUR ROAD AROUND OUR FOREST, AS MY FATHER ASKED YOU TO!
WHO CARES ABOUT THE ROAD?? I'LL DO ANY-THING IF THE SHOVEL WILL GET BACK TO NORMAL! BUT YOU CAN'T... IT'LL DESTROY YOU, TOO!

AS EVERYONE HELD THEIR BREATH, THE GYPSEY BEGAN A STRANGE RITUAL...
LET THE METAL LOSE ITS WILL!! LET THE MONSTER NOW BE STILL!


BUT THE WEAKENED TREE COULD STAND NO LONGER, AND...
HELP!!


MY LEG--I'VE SPRAINED IT! I CAN'T MOVE! NO! NO! STAY BACK! DON'T COME ANY CLOSER--STOP!! STAY BACK!


THE AWFUL IRON JAWS WERE ONLY INCHES FROM ME!! AND THEN... THEY HALTED!!
IT'S STOPPED! IT'S REALLY STOPPED! I'M SAVED!!
AND THEN...
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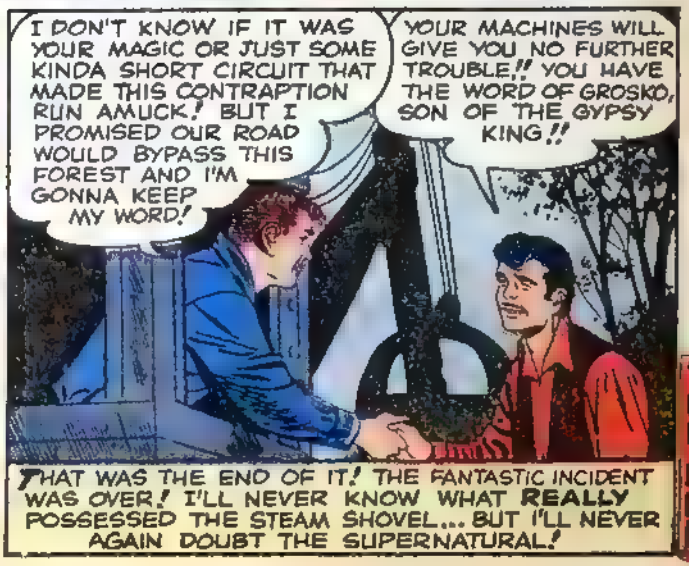

I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS YOUR MAGIC OR JUST SOME KINDA SHORT CIRCUIT THAT MADE THIS CONTRAPTION RUN AMUCK! BUT I PROMISED OUR ROAD WOULD BYPASS THIS FOREST AND I'M GONNA KEEP MY WORD!
YOUR MACHINES WILL GIVE YOU NO FURTHER TROUBLE,!! YOU HAVE THE WORD OF GROSKO, SON OF THE GYPSY KING!!
THAT WAS THE END OF IT! THE FANTASTIC INCIDENT WAS OVER! I'LL NEVER KNOW WHAT REALLY POSSESSED THE STEAM SHOVEL... BUT I'LL NEVER AGAIN DOUBT THE SUPERNATURAL!
THE END

like the way you've been selling the customers for us, but I prefer to conduct my business on a more conservative basis. I don't like to see one of our distinguished salesmen come to work in a rig like you're wearing. I suggest you begin your vacation day after tomorrow and get a new slant on things. You're taking your work too seriously!"

Suddenly, Eli looked down at his clothing and gulped. Sure enough, not only was the hat-like-a-pot sitting on his head, but he also had on the flowing robes of a caravan trader.

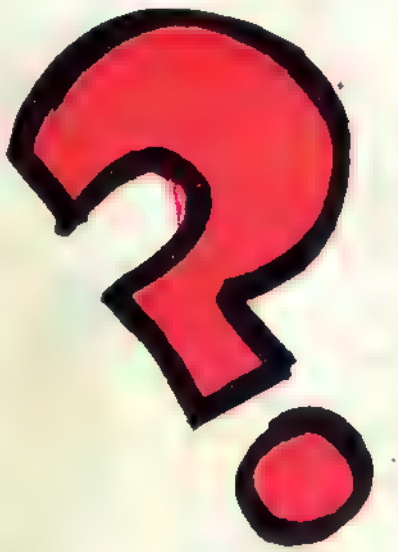
"I . . . I'm awfully sorry," he sputtered. "I can't understand how it happened, Mr. Hardy."

"Well, the next time you go to a costume party, please change before you come into work," Mr. Hardy advised. "And see what you can do about selling customers on the tropical cruises. We're short of bookings on that territory."

Eli tried, but that day everyone took one look at him and went away longing to visit Egypt. They wouldn't have it any other way! He had one day left now before he was to go on his vacation, and he determined to do his job dressed appropriately for Mr. Hardy. That night, however, he dreamed about cruising to Jamaica. When he awoke he found a lei of tropical flowers hanging around his neck. He took it off and dressed carefully in a quiet black suit to go to work. Mr. Hardy did not come into the office until noon, and by that time Eli Twiddle had sold every customer who walked in a cruise to Jamaica! He smiled proudly at Mr. Hardy when he showed up, but Mr. Hardy's mouth fell open with a gasp when he saw Eli.

"Great Grasshoppers!" he shouted. "Man, don't tell me you've been standing there selling trips without any clothes on!"

Eli Twiddle looked at himself and blushed. All that he was wearing, it seemed, was the skirt of a jungle dancer. His neat black suit had disappeared and instead of a striped tie, the tropical flowers were again around his neck. He blushed and fainted.



When he came to, the doctor that Mr. Hardy called was leaning over him.

"Just a case of travelitis," the doctor said knowingly. "The lad is so anxious to visit all these places, that he's been believing himself there and dresses in the native costume of each place he fancies himself at."

"You've been working too hard," Mr. Hardy grumbled good-naturedly. "You take your vacation, Eli, and don't come back until you have both feet on the ground."

"*Both feet on the ground,*" thought Eli, "Without knowing it, Mr. Hardy and the doctor have struck at only part of the truth. My flights of fancy have *actually* transported me to all the places I dreamed about. The only cure for me is taking my vacation at *home.*"

Fortunately, Mr. Hardy had found Eli's black suit hanging on the clothes tree in the back of the store. Eli put it on, then took a bus to go home. When he entered his little room, he suddenly noticed how nice everything looked. It was quite a comfortable place, he thought warmly. He looked out the window and saw the kids playing happily on the street. The landlady's daughter was sitting there and she waved up at him.

Eli Twiddle waved back and skipped downstairs to talk with her. They had a lovely chat, and he took her to the movies. That night when he came home, he slept peacefully.

"I guess I'm cured of that travel bug now that I've begun to sink roots where I really belong," he said happily.

A year later, he married the landlady's daughter, and they enjoyed a pleasant life together. It was only recently that Eli Twiddle recalled the strange talent he had for dreaming himself off to foreign places. It was when his wife complained that their two little boys had come to breakfast each morning dressed in strange suits with huge plastic globes around their heads.

Eli Twiddle sighed.

"Well, I guess a few trips to the moon can't do them any harm," he told her. "They'll grow out of it in due time, dear. You know *I* did."

Eventually, we *all* do.

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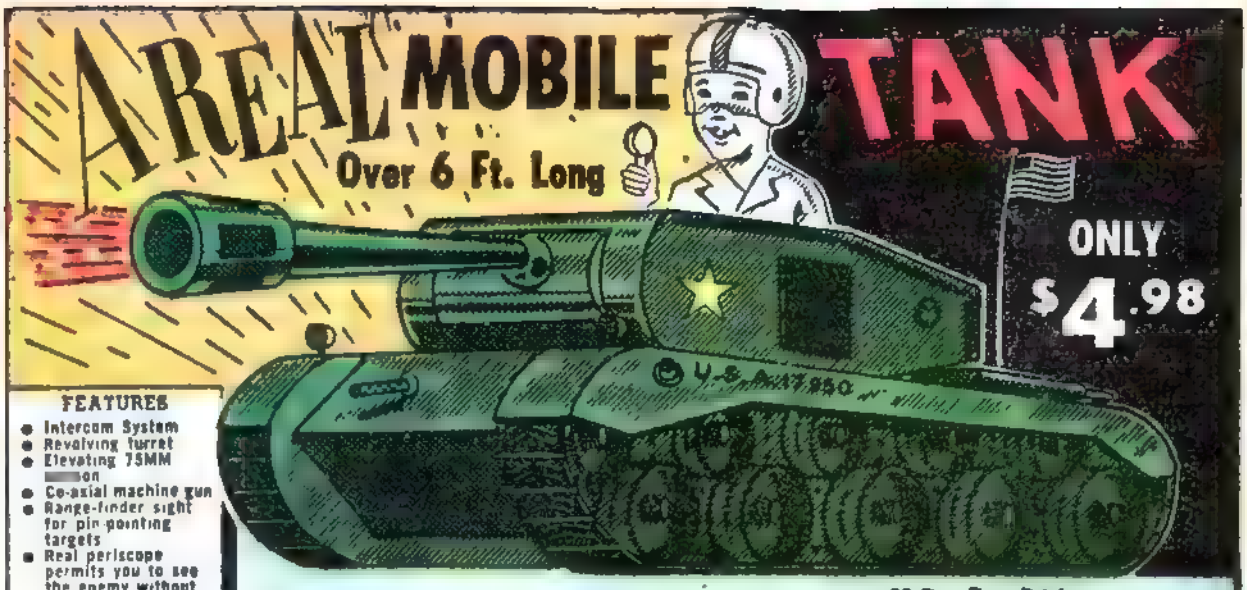

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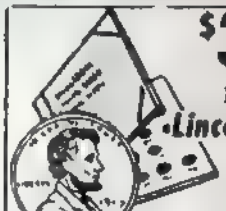

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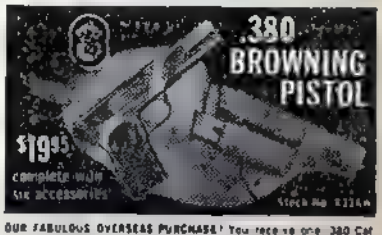

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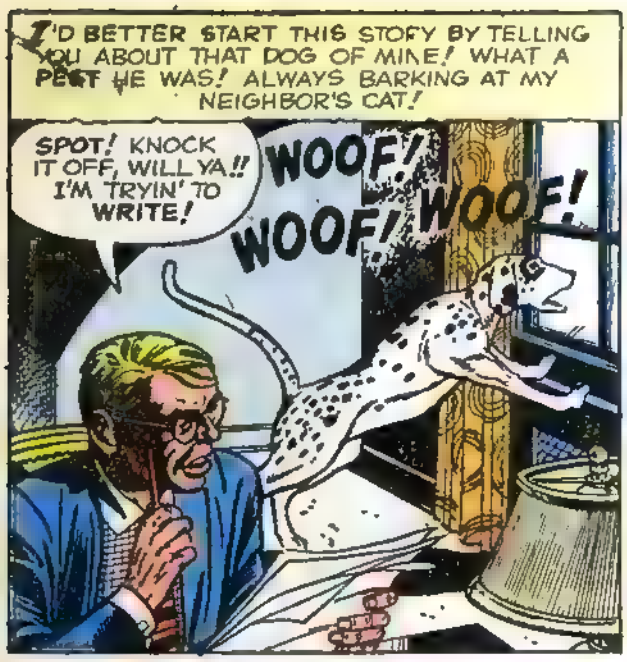
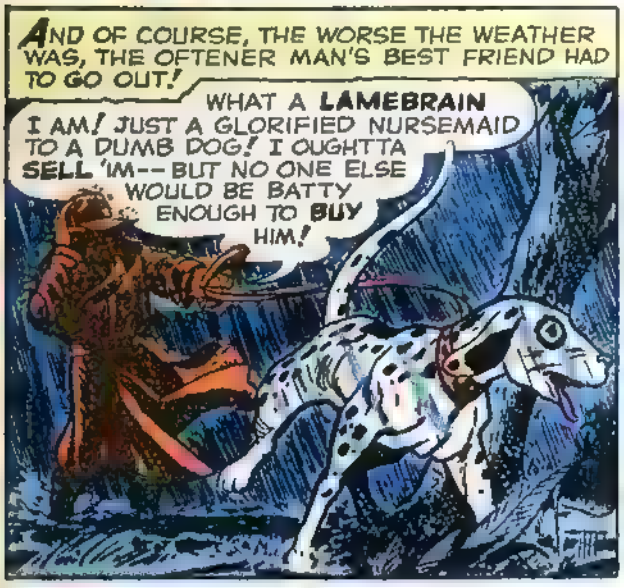
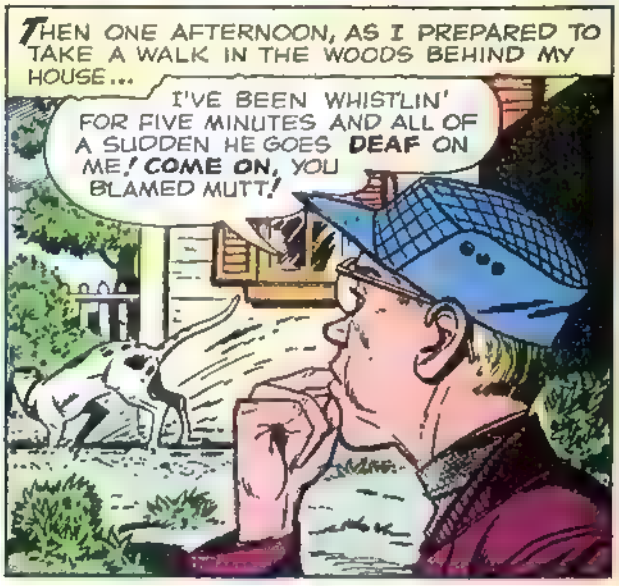
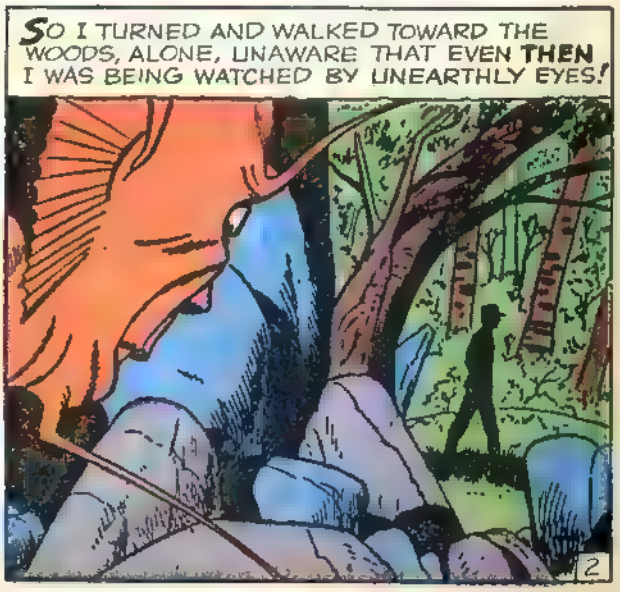

I'D BETTER START THIS STORY BY TELLING YOU ABOUT THAT DOG OF MINE! WHAT A PEST HE WAS! ALWAYS BARKING AT MY NEIGHBOR'S CAT!
SPOT! KNOCK IT OFF, WILL YA!! I'M TRYIN' TO WRITE!
WOOF! WOOF! WOOF!

AND ALWAYS SLOBBERING OVER ME...
OKAY--OKAY, I KNOW YOU LOVE ME! NOW BEAT IT!


AND OF COURSE, THE WORSE THE WEATHER WAS, THE OFTENER MAN'S BEST FRIEND HAD TO GO OUT!
WHAT A LAMEBRAIN I AM! JUST A GLORIFIED NURSEMAID TO A DUMB DOG! I OUGHTTA SELL 'IM-- BUT NO ONE ELSE WOULD BE BATTY ENOUGH TO BUY HIM!


THEN ONE AFTERNOON, AS I PREPARED TO TAKE A WALK IN THE WOODS BEHIND MY HOUSE...
I'VE BEEN WHISTLIN' FOR FIVE MINUTES AND ALL OF A SUDDEN HE GOES DEAF ON ME! COME ON, YOU BLAMED MUTT!

NOW HE'S RUN OFF BEHIND THE HOUSE! HE'LL PROBABLY WAIT TILL I GET BACK, AND THEN HE'LL WANT TO GO! BAH! I HOPE HE LOSES HIMSELF FOR GOOD!


SO I TURNED AND WALKED TOWARD THE WOODS, ALONE, UNAWARE THAT EVEN THEN I WAS BEING WATCHED BY UNEARTHLY EYES!
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I HAD ONLY GONE A LITTLE WAY INTO THE WOODS WHEN I HEARD IT--THE SOUND OF HEAVY FEET COMING TOWARD ME!

THUMP! THUMP! THUMP!

SUDDENLY, A COLD FEAR POSSESSED ME! I STARTED TO WALK DEEPER INTO THE WOODS--AWAY FROM THE FOOTSTEPS! BUT THEY CAME AFTER ME! THEN I BEGAN TO RUN...

THUMP! THUMP!

I RAN AS FAST AS I COULD UNTIL--

THUMP! THUMP!

OOF!

SLOWLY, FEARFULLY, I LOOKED UP! LOOKED UP TO SEE--

NO--**NO**--IT **CAN'T BE!!**

I AM ZETORA! **A MARTIAN!**

ON YOUR FEET, EARTHLING!

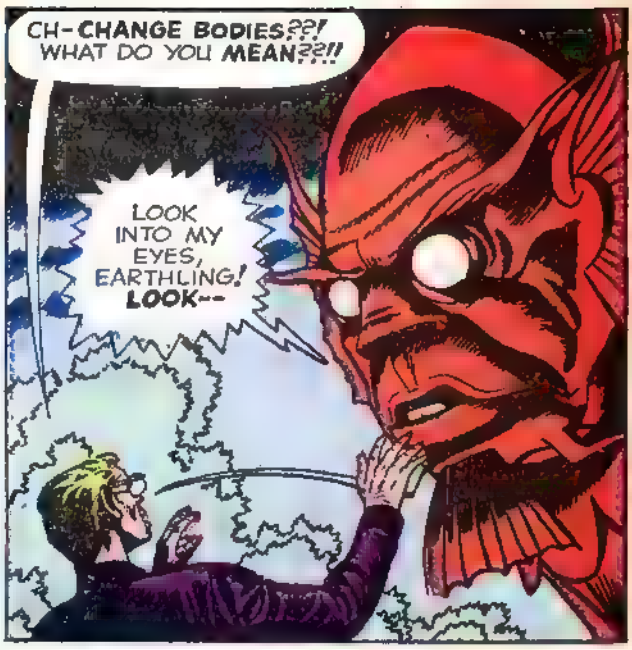
I COMMITTED A CRIME ON MARS, BUT BEFORE THE POLICE COULD CATCH ME, I ESCAPED TO YOUR PLANET! THE MARTIAN POLICE WILL NEVER THINK OF LOOKING FOR ME **HERE!**

B-BUT HOW DID YOU **GET** HERE?? WHERE'S YOUR **SHIP??**

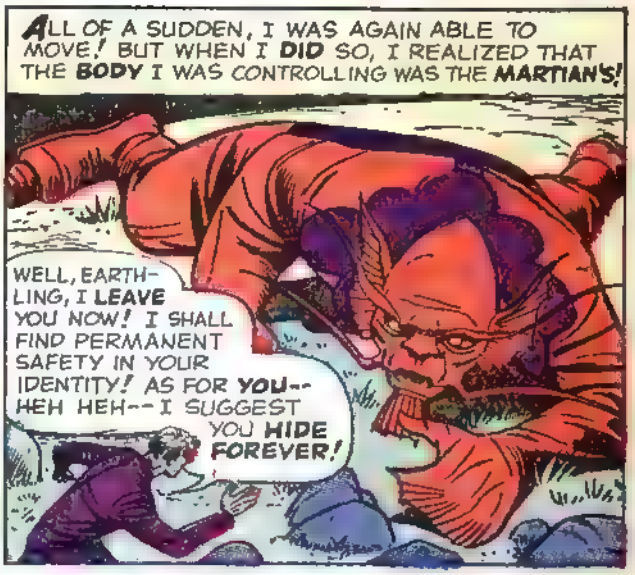
I CAME HERE LAST NIGHT IN A COSMIC X-32 SPACESHIP... WHICH I DESTROYED AFTER LANDING!

THE AUTO-DISINTEGRATOR WILL MAKE SURE THAT NO CLUE REMAINS OF MY ARRIVAL!

AND NOW THERE REMAINS BUT ONE MORE THING FOR ME TO DO, AND MY ESCAPE WILL BE COMPLETE! I WILL NOW CHANGE BODIES WITH YOU!


CH-CHANGE BODIES??! WHAT DO YOU MEAN??!!
LOOK INTO MY EYES, EARTHLING! LOOK--

THEN, WHILE I STOOD THERE, UNABLE TO MOVE OR SPEAK, I EXPERIENCED THAT WHICH NO WORDS COULD EVER DESCRIBE...
MY MIND AND WILL ARE MOVING... THEY ARE LEAVING MY BODY AND GOING INTO YOURS... YOUR MIND AND WILL ARE NOW MELTING INTO MY BODY... MELTING THRU BONE AND TISSUE...


ALL OF A SUDDEN, I WAS AGAIN ABLE TO MOVE! BUT WHEN I DID SO, I REALIZED THAT THE BODY I WAS CONTROLLING WAS THE MARTIAN'S!
WELL, EARTHLING, I LEAVE YOU NOW! I SHALL FIND PERMANENT SAFETY IN YOUR IDENTITY! AS FOR YOU-- HEH HEH-- I SUGGEST YOU HIDE FOREVER!

WAIT--STOP!! COME BACK!! DON'T LEAVE ME HERE!!

I HAVE TO GET HELP! I HAVE TO FIND SOME WAY TO REGAIN MY OWN FORM-- BEFORE I GO MAD!

HOLY SMOKE! LOOKA THERE!
I-IT'S A GIANT!
HE LOOKS LIKE SOMETHIN' OUT OF A SCIENCE-FICTION BOOK!
MORE LIKE A MONSTER FROM ANOTHER WORLD!
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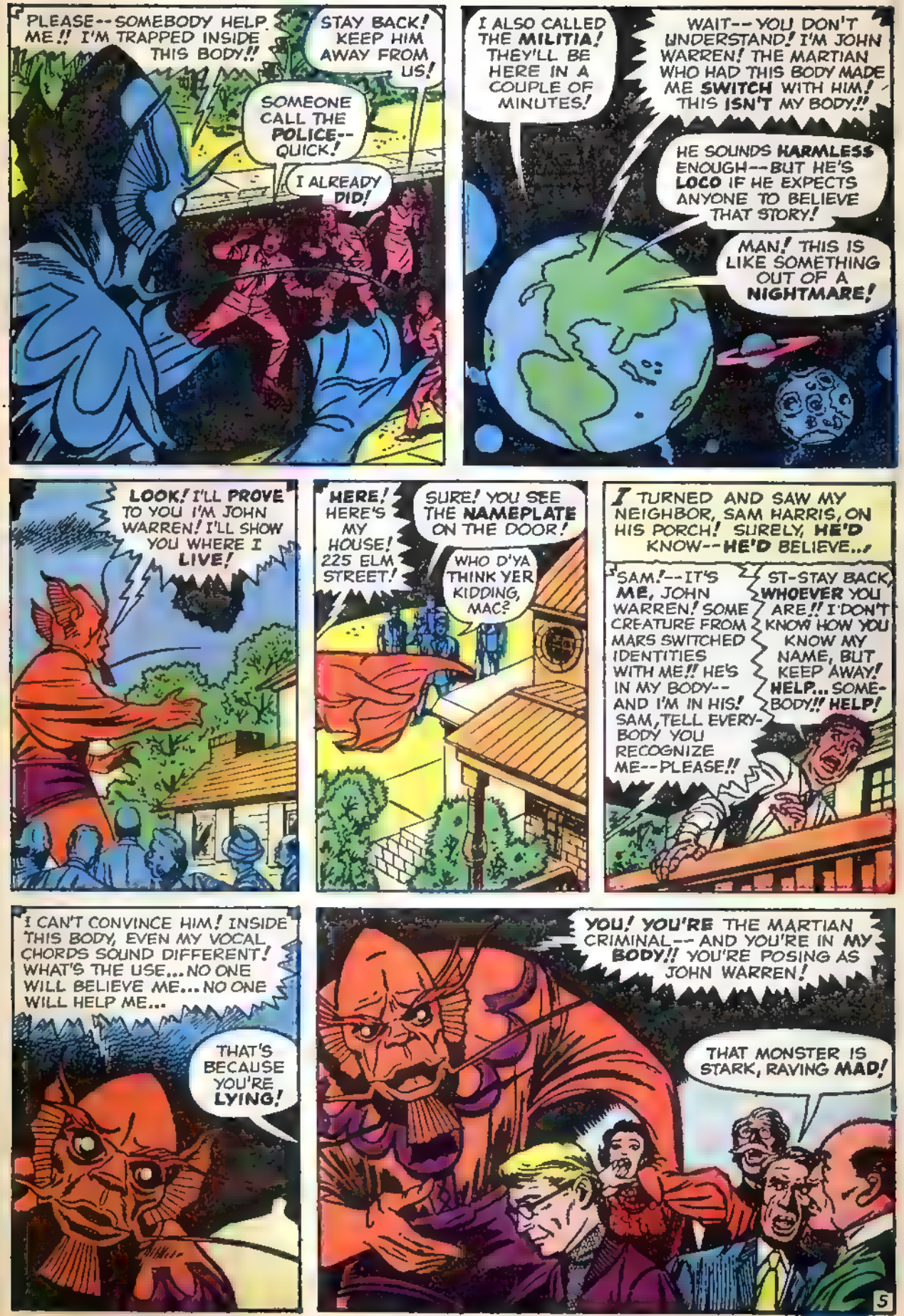
PLEASE--SOMEBODY HELP ME!! I'M TRAPPED INSIDE THIS BODY!!
STAY BACK! KEEP HIM AWAY FROM US!
SOMEONE CALL THE POLICE--QUICK!
I ALREADY DID!
I ALSO CALLED THE MILITIA! THEY'LL BE HERE IN A COUPLE OF MINUTES!
WAIT--YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND! I'M JOHN WARREN! THE MARTIAN WHO HAD THIS BODY MADE ME SWITCH WITH HIM! THIS ISN'T MY BODY!!
HE SOUNDS HARMLESS ENOUGH--BUT HE'S LOCO IF HE EXPECTS ANYONE TO BELIEVE THAT STORY!
MAN! THIS IS LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF A NIGHTMARE!
LOOK! I'LL PROVE TO YOU I'M JOHN WARREN! I'LL SHOW YOU WHERE I LIVE!
HERE! HERE'S MY HOUSE! 225 ELM STREET!
SURE! YOU SEE THE NAMEPLATE ON THE DOOR!
WHO D'YA THINK YER KIDDING, MAC?
I TURNED AND SAW MY NEIGHBOR, SAM HARRIS, ON HIS PORCH! SURELY, HE'D KNOW--HE'D BELIEVE...
SAM!--IT'S ME, JOHN WARREN! SOME CREATURE FROM MARS SWITCHED IDENTITIES WITH ME!! HE'S IN MY BODY--AND I'M IN HIS! SAM, TELL EVERYBODY YOU RECOGNIZE ME--PLEASE!!
ST-STAY BACK, WHOEVER YOU ARE!! I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU KNOW MY NAME, BUT KEEP AWAY! HELP... SOMEBODY!! HELP!
I CAN'T CONVINCE HIM! INSIDE THIS BODY, EVEN MY VOCAL CHORDS SOUND DIFFERENT! WHAT'S THE USE... NO ONE WILL BELIEVE ME... NO ONE WILL HELP ME...
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE LYING!
YOU! YOU'RE THE MARTIAN CRIMINAL--AND YOU'RE IN MY BODY!! YOU'RE POSING AS JOHN WARREN!
THAT MONSTER IS STARK, RAVING MAD!
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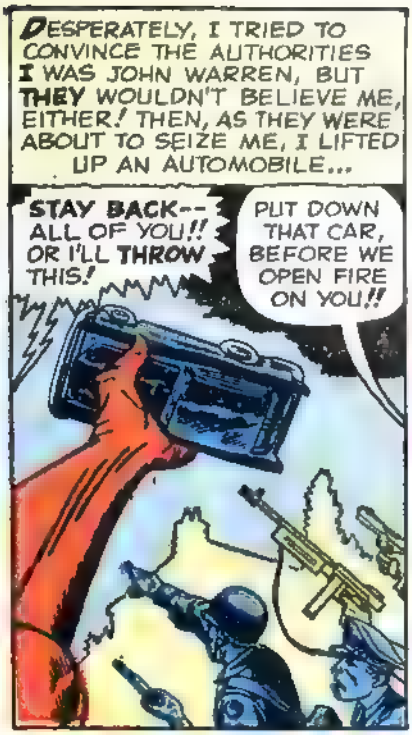
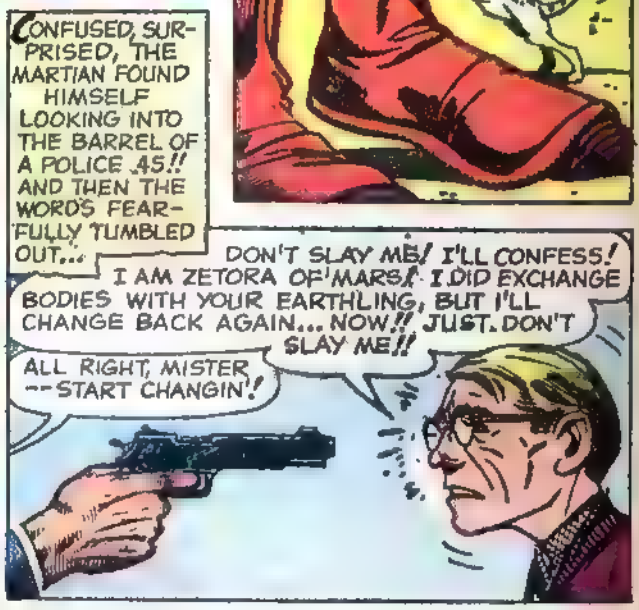
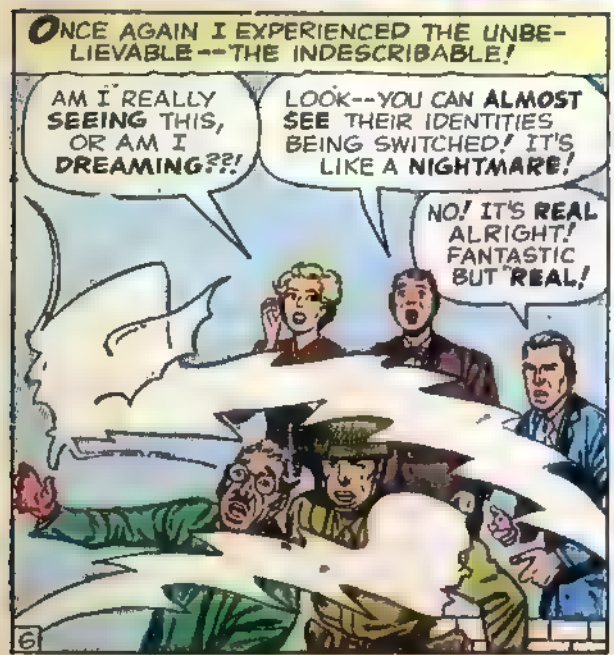
WHEEEE
WHOEVER OR WHATEVER YOU ARE--YOU'RE NOT FOOLING ANYONE! I AM JOHN WARREN! I ALWAYS HAVE BEEN AND I ALWAYS WILL BE!
AT LAST! HERE COME THE POLICE AND MILITIA!


DESPERATELY, I TRIED TO CONVINCE THE AUTHORITIES I WAS JOHN WARREN, BUT THEY WOULDN'T BELIEVE ME, EITHER! THEN, AS THEY WERE ABOUT TO SEIZE ME, I LIFTED UP AN AUTOMOBILE...
STAY BACK--ALL OF YOU!! OR I'LL THROW THIS!
PUT DOWN THAT CAR, BEFORE WE OPEN FIRE ON YOU!!

TENSE SECONDS PASSED... AND THEN I SAW HIM--THE MOST WELCOME SIGHT OF MY LIFE--AND MY ONE CHANCE TO PROVE WHO I WAS! IT WAS SPOT!
SPOT! C'MERE, OLD FELLA! YOU KNOW ME, DON'T YOU, BOY! THAT'S IT--WAG YOUR TAIL FOR EVERYONE! SHOW 'EM WHO I REALLY AM!
LOOK! THE DOG SEEMS TO KNOW HIM!

AND THE DOG IS ATTACKING WARREN!! BUT HE'D NEVER DO THAT IF--IF IT REALLY WAS WARREN!
HOLY SMOKE! THE GIANT MUST BE TELLING THE TRUTH! INCREDIBLE THOUGH IT SEEMS! A MARTIAN DID SWITCH BODIES WITH WARREN!
WOOF! GRRRR


CONFUSED, SURPRISED, THE MARTIAN FOUND HIMSELF LOOKING INTO THE BARREL OF A POLICE .45!! AND THEN THE WORDS FEARFULLY TUMBLED OUT...
DON'T SLAY ME! I'LL CONFESS! I AM ZETORA OF MARS! I DID EXCHANGE BODIES WITH YOUR EARTHLING, BUT I'LL CHANGE BACK AGAIN... NOW!! JUST DON'T SLAY ME!!
ALL RIGHT, MISTER --START CHANGIN'!


ONCE AGAIN I EXPERIENCED THE UNBELIEVABLE--THE INDESCRIBABLE!
AM I REALLY SEEING THIS, OR AM I DREAMING?!?!
LOOK--YOU CAN ALMOST SEE THEIR IDENTITIES BEING SWITCHED! IT'S LIKE A NIGHTMARE!
NO! IT'S REAL ALRIGHT! FANTASTIC BUT REAL!
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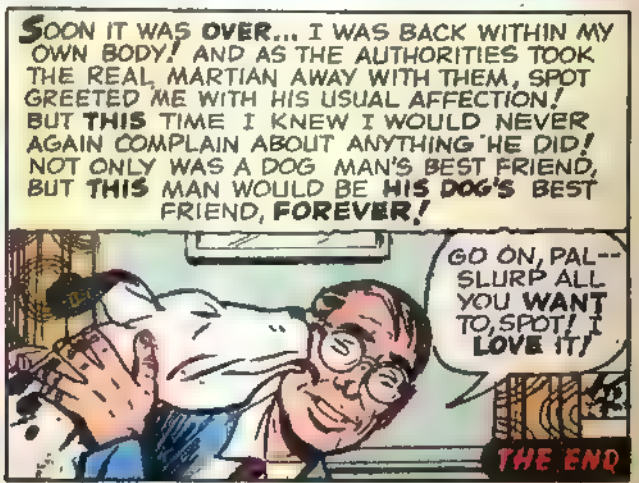
SOON IT WAS OVER... I WAS BACK WITHIN MY OWN BODY! AND AS THE AUTHORITIES TOOK THE REAL MARTIAN AWAY WITH THEM, SPOT GREETED ME WITH HIS USUAL AFFECTION! BUT THIS TIME I KNEW I WOULD NEVER AGAIN COMPLAIN ABOUT ANYTHING HE DID! NOT ONLY WAS A DOG MAN'S BEST FRIEND, BUT THIS MAN WOULD BE HIS DOG'S BEST FRIEND, FOREVER!
GO ON, PAL--SLURP ALL YOU WANT TO, SPOT! I LOVE IT!
THE END

NOTE: DON'T MISS THE NEXT GREAT ISSUE WHEN "THE MARTIAN RETURNS!!"

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STOP BEING SKINNY AND TIRED!

Amazing Scientific Plan Adds New Attractive Pounds and Inches

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THESE ARE THE PLACES ON YOUR BODY WHERE YOU TEND TO BE UNDERWEIGHT

Cheeks
Arms
Thighs
Legs
Hips
Calves

BE APPEALING—HAVE SELF-CONFIDENCE

If you are skinny and embarrassed when you undress because of scrawny body, thighs, arms and legs . . . Now you may be able to quickly put on more attractive pounds and inches so fast it will amaze you . . . *Vitatone* is developed by Men of Medical Science . . . a delicious weight adding formula, jam-packed with wonder calories to help your body gain good looking flesh automatically, wherever you need it . . . on face, neck, arms, legs and ankles . . . Almost like magic, skinny "broom-stick" figures fill out all over the body into a beautiful "new look" that wins popularity! Concentrated *Vitatone* stimulates Vitamin Deficient appetites . . . New Pep, Vigor and Vitality.

IMPORTANT: Forget everything you have ever heard about weight gaining products before today! Don't confuse *Vitatone* with any other formula you have ever seen, heard of, or tried. *Vitatone* is a medically researched product. A weight gaining wonder formula unlike anything ever released *without a Doctor's Prescription!* And here is the overwhelming proof! When you use *Vitatone* concentrated 10-in-1 Formula to add weight . . . you will be among the fortunate men and women who experienced incredible weight gains . . . after every other weight gaining method failed them.

No other product can claim all these amazing weight gaining and health giving ingredients.

HOW VITATONE WORKS TO GIVE YOU NEW ATTRACTIVE POUNDS AND INCHES . .

Here is the actual formula* . . . The amazingly safe, tested, way to gain weight. The method you may have heard about . . . now ready for sale without a Doctor's Prescription.

Concentrated 10-in-1 Weight Gaining Formula Contains:

1. Amazing, DPA (Dicalcium Phosphate Anhydrous)—When you take concentrated *Vitatone*, this tested ingredient will build body tissue, strong bones and supply your body with two needed minerals of Human Nutrition.

2. Fortified B-12 . . . Called the sensational growth vitamin, this is the world famous "red vitamin" doctors prescribe to build healthy robust appetites . . . has a remarkable ability . . . proven in clinical tests on children to cause weight and growth gains.

3. Special Iron (From Ferrous Sulfate) . . . Helps correct iron deficiency anemia, which makes you feel tired, listless, and run down. Helps rich, red blood for added pep, and energy too.

4. Stimulating B-1 . . . Two average doses of Concentrated *Vitatone* contain four times the minimum daily requirements of Vitamin B-1 . . . An appetite building vitamin that increases your desire for food . . . helps you relish your meals, and look forward to mealtime with happy anticipation.

5. (Calciferol) Vitamin D . . . A proven high concentrate vitamin which helps you build strong bones . . . A proven aid in keeping your teeth in good condition as well.

Five Other Ingredients . . . making concentrated 10-in-1 *Vitatone* Formula one of the greatest weight building products ever developed! Loaded with super-calories that help you put on pounds and inches of good-looking flesh, easily and pleasantly.

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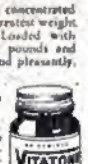
The ingredients in *Vitatone* were tested by Doctors on underweight adults, men and children of all age groups and found effective.



HELPS YOU ENJOY NEW ENERGY AND A ZEST FOR LIFE WHILE YOU ADD WEIGHT!

It is very rare that a Weight Gaining Formula offers an underweight person the opportunity to maintain a vigorous, alert appearance, enjoy sound sleep and have a good sense of well being . . . when they are in the process of gaining the needed pounds and inches they so urgently desire. You will, we feel, thank us a thousand times for telling you about *Vitatone*, the most amazing Weight Gaining Formula Ever Developed.

GUARANTEE

Accept no substitutes; only Vitatone Concentrated Weight Gaining Formula contains 10 special ingredients . . . including DPA approved for sale without a Doctor's Prescription.*

Only VITATONE Concentrated Formula is backed by the Most Amazing Guarantee in the Entire History of Weight Adding Products:

If you are not completely satisfied that VITATONE is helping you gain previous pounds and inches quickly and easily just return the cap from the bottle of VITATONE Tablets and your full purchase price will be refunded . . . BUT YOU KEEP YOUR VITATONE AS A GIFT! YOU ARE NOT BUYING ONLY TRYING . . . AND IT DOESN'T COST YOU A PENNY!

This Guarantee is for 2-Months for a Full 21 days after you receive your VITATONE FORMULA!

VITATONE HEALTH PRODUCTS

*Dicalcium Phosphate, Anhydrous

THE SECRET OF THIS SAFE, DOCTORS APPROVED WEIGHT GAINING FORMULA!

The Ingredients in *Vitatone* have been more thoroughly tested over a longer period of time, by more Doctors in more clinics and hospitals than many other products sold anywhere *without a Doctor's Prescription*. Doctors have proven time and time again that the wonderful ingredients in *Vitatone* are completely safe and produce no unpleasant side effects.

You may take *Vitatone* with complete confidence, content in the knowledge that the ingredients have been released for sale without prescription. It is easy to wonder that *Vitatone* not only helps you gain so attractive, more shapely figure, by fortifying weight maintaining meals with its concentrated ingredients . . . but also helps you put good looking flesh on face, neck, arms, hips, thighs, legs and ankles. Why be skinny . . . why let your life slip by without trying . . . No matter what you've tried, *Vitatone* is the one product that can help you! It's a shortcut to easy, safe, and pleasant weight gains. Unconditionally Money Back Guaranteed if it doesn't work for you! Yes, this is our unconditional guarantee . . . *Vitatone* must gain weight for you . . . or it won't cost you a penny!

PROOF POSITIVE

If you want to see good-looking pounds and inches of attractive weight added to your Face, Arms, Hips, Thighs, Calves . . . to every inch of your body where you are thin, then read the thrilling Medical Facts on the amazing concentrated APPROVED WEIGHT GAINING FORMULA! try "Wonder-working" Vitatone . . . Now available Without a Doctor's Prescription . . . Entirely at our expense!

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The only real test of a Weight Gaining product is this—How many pounds and inches did people gain in actual use . . . and *Vitatone* holds the answer for you!

DOCTORS WRITE ON LETTERHEAD FOR CLINICAL SAMPLE

WHAT VITATONE THE "MIRACLE" WEIGHT GAINER MEANS TO YOU

VITATONE may make New Hope in you who tired of being skinny . . . of no appetite . . . and merely picking at your food. If you want to get rid of that "tired out" feeling . . . build resistance, sleep better and have more pep and energy . . . then get it AT OUR RISK how much the Concentrated VITATONE Tonic and Appetite Stimulant Plan may help you.

UNDERWEIGHT IS NOT HEALTHY . . . HELP YOURSELF TODAY . . . DON'T STAY SKINNY!

Your doctor may have been warning you that your underweight condition can lead to fatigue, loss of sleep and low resistance. Your doctor may also tell you that underweight can make you embarrassed, sensitive and ashamed . . . That you may be feeling "punky" and ill at ease, because you are so thin.

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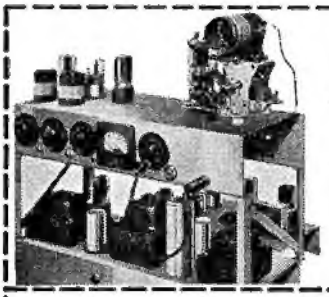

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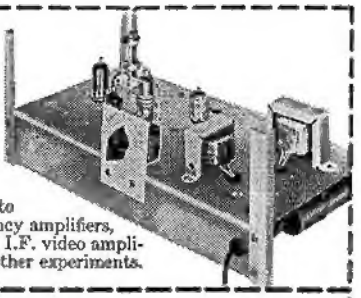

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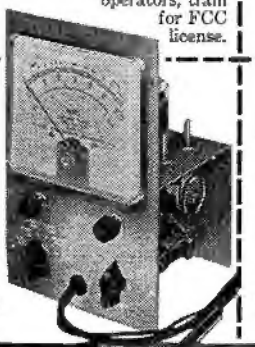

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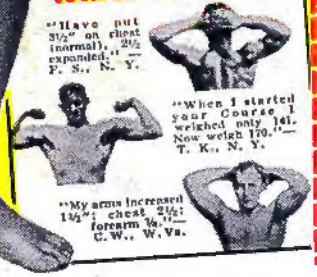

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